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TAMMANY AFFAIRS.

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COTTON STATEMENT.

Life Insurance Decision.

UNDERGROUND RAILWAY.

NEW YORK, December 22, 1871.

ASSIGNMENT OF JUDGES.

It appears that the assignment of the Judges for the terms of the Supreme Court of this city for the next two years, which is required to be announced one month before the expiration of the year, has not yet been made public. This, it is said, is owing to the hesitancy which exists among some of the Judges being known as holding Court for the time when the trials of some of the accused Ring men occur.

Later.—Assignments of the Supreme Court Judges were made to-day.

GENERAL SICKLES.

General Sickles expects to return to Spain in a month or six weeks. He says he brought important matter for the State Department touching Spain and Cuba. Though he has advised the foreign opponents of the Erie ring to make a united effort for justice, he will not take a prominent part therein. The General will probably be tendered a public reception.

In conversation with a *Times* reporter this evening, Gen. Sickles stated that his visit has no political significance. The relations between the American Government and Spain were of a cordial character, and no possibility of a rupture existed. The war for the suppression of the Cuban rebellion was exceedingly popular with the Spanish people. The Minister stated that the report that he intended to act as agent for the English Erie stockholders was altogether without foundation.

LIFE INSURANCE DECISION.

Judge Blatchford, in the United States Circuit Court to-day, delivered a decision in favor of the executors of D. W. Goodman, of Alabama, against the New York Mutual Life Insurance Company. The company refused to pay a policy of five thousand dollars, on the ground that several payments of premium were due. The claimants contended that the company, by withdrawing its agencies from Alabama during the war, prevented Goodman from paying the premiums. Judge Blatchford decreed for the claimants, with costs, the company to be credited for the unpaid annual payments.

UNDERGROUND RAILWAY.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the New York City Central Underground Railway Company to-day, it was determined to open stock subscription books early in January, under charge of a financial committee, in connection with several prominent banking firms. The company's report estimates the east line, which will extend from City Hall to Harlem, at $7,625,301. It is proposed to finish the work in a little over two years. The estimated cost, in accordance with this report, of the tunnel will be a double archway similar to the Thames tunnel at London. Bonds will be issued to the full value of the road, to the amount of thirty-five million dollars.

THE GRAND JURY AT WORK.

The President of the Union Trust Company was summoned before the Grand Jury to testify as to the dealings of Ring officials. Other officers of this company have been subpœnaed, including Augustus Schell, Horace F. Clark, H. B. Peckham and Peter B. Sweeny, the latter when he comes back from Canada.

Mayor Hall was in the Grand Jury room this afternoon.

James Fisk, Jr., and a large number of females were in readiness for examination.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

Total receipts from September 1st, 1871, 1,251,665 bales; same time last year, 1,176,95 bales. Total exports from September 1st, 1871, 634,137; same time last year, 813,563 Stock at all United States ports this year, 426,536. At interior towns, 64,100. At this week, 88,994; last year, 105,879. At Liverpool this year, 438,666; last year, 614,000. American cotton afloat for Great Britain this year not reported; last year, 345,000.

WASHINGTON MARKET.

An investigation will be made into the affairs of a former clerk of the Washington Market, to ascertain what was done with the large sums of money collected from occupants of stands on the sidewalks of every street. Some of them pay $1.30 to $1.50 annualy, but it is feared that not a dollar has gone to the city treasury.

CONNOLLY'S BAIL TO BE REDUCED.

In the case of Connolly, an order of the Court reducing his bail to $5,000 to be served on the Sheriff to-day. The required bonds have been perfected, and probably Connolly will be released from the Ludlow street jail early on to-morrow. To-day's delay is due to the fact that he must meet the indictments found against him.

FILTHY CONDITION OF CITY PRISONS.

The grand jury have addressed a communication to Judge Ingraham, of the Supreme Court, directing attention to the filthy condition of the city prisons. They represent that there is an insufficiency of police, owing to the lack of funds for the city deficiencies.

COUNTERFEITER REARRESTED.

Wm. Brown, one of the counterfeiters who escaped from the Ludlow street jail some weeks ago, was arrested at Freeport, Ill. He will be brought here and put on the stand in the Miner case, when important revelations are expected.

GRAND SACHEM'S RESIGNATION DEMANDED.

Tweed's resignation as Grand Sachem of Tammany has been recently demanded by prominent members of the order. It is understood that Tweed will soon retire, and will be succeeded by Isaac Bell.

ATTACHMENT ISSUED.

An attachment against the property of R. B. Connolly was issued in a suit by Patrick Carroll, late Superintendent of Markets, to recover $10,000, alleged to have been paid for groceries, provisions, &c., for Connolly.

INDICTMENTS AGAINST TWEED.

It appears that the indictments against Tweed were found fifteen days before they were brought into Court. All this time the Grand Jury kept the matter secret.

FOUND GUILTY.

Jacob Worth and Edward Terrins were yesterday found guilty of having elected an inspector of election from the polling place in Brooklyn, at the late election.

CITY AND COUNTY DEBT.

Controller Green published an official statement, to-day, showing the debt of the county to be $95,466,786. The amount of cash in the Treasury is about $7,000,000.

TWEED'S BAIL.

The time for the examination of Tweed's sureties is fixed for December 26. As respects his bail, his friends are now said to be few and his available cash low.

MERCANTILE.

Several prominent merchants and physicians gave testimony upon quarantine matters before the Commercial Convention at the Chamber of Commerce to-day.

FISK'S TROUBLES.

Rumors are current that the Grand Jury have summoned witnesses to testify concerning Fisk. Important developments are expected to-day.

ADJOURNED.

The Grand Jury adjourned till Tuesday, when it must present no new indictments. Rumors continue that important arrests will be made.

CALLENDAR'S COLLATERALS.

The receiver of the Ocean Bank places the value of the collaterals deposited by Bank Examiner Callendar at $70,000 to $80,000.

A PERSEVERING LOVER.

Charles Busch was again arrested for attempting to make love to Miss Nilsson.

GOLD DISBURSEMENTS.

The Sub-Treasury disbursed $30,000 gold for redemption of 5-20 securities.

SMALL POX.

Thirteen new small-pox cases were reported since yesterday noon.

PERSONAL.

General Sickles and wife are passengers on the Cuba.

ARRIVED.

The steamship Cuba, from Liverpool, has arrived.

COLUMBIA.

The Impeachment Question.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 21.—In the Legislature to-day, on the question of the impeachment of Governor Scott, the Bowenites, representing the minority, managed to get possession of the floor, and kept it until the hour fixed for adjournment. They will hold the floor all day to-morrow to keep back the vote, if all day to-morrow is necessary until January 5th, leaving the impeachment question undone.

Later.—Governor Scott, with a view of preventing the postponement of a vote on his impeachment, sent a message to the Legislature this morning containing a proclamation convening that body in extraordinary session at noon to-morrow. The Governor's supporters then passed a vote on a motion to strike out the resolution calling the impeachment resolution. The motion was finally carried at one o'clock—yeas 65, nays 32. This defeats impeachment. There was another proclamation from the Governor, revoking the proclamation issued a few hours previously, and the Legislature adjourned until January 5th.

CHICAGO.

Alexis.

CHICAGO, December 22.—A dispatch received from Grand Duke Alexis to-day says he will arrive here on Saturday, the 30th, and will remain until Tuesday morning, proceeding hence to Milwaukee.

THE MAILS.

The largest amount of mail matter that was ever received in this city in a single day came to-day for distribution and exchange. The Postmaster was compelled to leave more than forty tons of mail matter outside, it being utterly impossible to get it inside the Postoffice building.

OBITUARY.

Daniel D. Driscoll, a well known member of the Chicago bar, died to-day from heart disease. He was at the time City Attorney.

THE CAPITAL.

WASHINGTON, December 22, 1871.

CHICAGO PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The Secretary of the Treasury has requested Collector McLean, at Chicago, to call upon the property owners of the block upon which the old postoffice and custom house were located, requesting them to state the terms upon which they will transfer their property to the Government. A response will be submitted by a committee consisting of Judge Drummond, General Beveridge and Joseph Medill, who will report as to whether the terms are unreasonable or not.

THE WEATHER TO-DAY.

Increasing easterly winds with arising temperature are probable for Saturday throughout the Atlantic States, the snow being followed by rains and in the Middle States an area of low barometer passing northeastward on Saturday about Missouri and Indiana, with easterly winds and rain in the Gulf States and Ohio valley. Continued easterly winds with snow are probable for the lakes. Dangerous winds are not anticipated for the Atlantic coast.

EXTENSION OF MAIL SERVICE.

The Postmaster General has ordered the extension of the mail service on the Chicago, Danville and Vincennes Railroad from St. Anna to Danville.

STATEMENT DENIED.

The statement that the House Committee on Expenditures of the Treasury propose to accept the Secretary's examinations is incorrect.

INDIANA.

Fatal Railway Accident.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., December 22.—A terrible accident occurred on the Cincinnati & Indianapolis Junction Railroad about noon today, four miles east of Morristown, Indiana. The train leaving Cincinnati at seven o'clock this morning was thrown from the track by a broken rail. Conductor Flenner and engineer Hamilton were instantly killed. The fireman and twelve or fourteen passengers are reported seriously injured.

Later.—The mail train going west on the Cincinnati and Indianapolis Junction Railroad, due at Indianapolis at 1:20 P. M., was thrown from the track about five miles east of Morristown by a broken rail. The engine and train ran some twenty or thirty yards after leaving the track, until it struck a bridge, when the engine and train were hurled over the bridge, the engine falling on one side and the cars on the other, a distance of ten or twelve feet, instantly killing the engineer, James Hamilton, M. B. Fienner, conductor, and Pat. Kilkary, the foreman of that section of the road. The accident occurred, it is said, by breaking the arm of the baggage master, L. Golden.

The conductor was in the baggage car at the time of the accident, and was killed by the express safe falling on him. He only lived five or ten minutes after being taken from the train.

The section foreman was also in the baggage car at the time, and was killed by the stove falling on him. Several of the passengers were injured, but none seriously.

The remains of Mr. Flenner were brought to Indianapolis and were properly cared for. The remains of Mr. Hamilton, the engineer, were taken in charge by his brother.

ST. LOUIS.

Alexis.

ST. LOUIS, December 22.—A dispatch from Cataeay, in reply to one from Mayor Brown says that Grand Duke Alexis will arrive here on Friday, January 5.

A delegation from Milwaukee presented an address to Alexis this afternoon, tendering the hospitalities of the city, which were accepted. The Grand Duke will reach Milwaukee on January 23 and remain until January 4th.

LIFE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA.

A short time ago a man named Boogher brought suit in equity against the managers of the Association of America, charging them with various irregularities and fraud, in using the money of the association for their benefit. The officers of the association requested the State Superintendent of Insurance to make a thorough examination of the affairs of the company, which he has done, and his report is published. The report is a full statement of the condition of the association. It shows the assets over liabilities to be $365,329, and a complete refutation of Boogher's charges, and a full vindication of the officers and managers of the association. As mention of this suit was made in the despatches, causing uneasiness among the policy holders in various parts of the country, it is deemed but justice that this statement should be made.

TOLEDO.

Railway Matters.

TOLEDO, December 22.—The Toledo connection of the Flint and Pere Marquette Railway was opened this week with an excursion from this city to Saginaw. On Monday next regular passenger and freight trains will commence running from Toledo to Reed City, a distance of 238 miles.

Gen. S. Perry Rea, President of the Toledo, Thorntown & St. Louis Air Line Railway, presented the case of that enterprise before the Board of Trade, showing that the Illinois division was under contract, that the Indiana division would probably be contracted for within thirty days, and that with two hundred thousand dollars aid from Toledo, the Ohio division could also be commenced. The Board of Trade unanimously approved the enterprise, declaring it entitled to the aid asked for.

A public meeting was held at the Board of Trade rooms in the evening, at which the same subject was presented, with a like result. The advanced stage of this road is a surprise to many of our citizens.

VIRGINIA.

Interest on the State Debt.

RICHMOND, VA., December 22.—The House passed a concurrent resolution suspending the payment of interest on the State debt due on the 1st of January. Pending consideration, the senate took a recess until 8 o'clock P. M., and both Houses adjourned until the 2d of January.

DIED.

Rev. James B. Taylor, for the past twenty-five years Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, died here to-day, aged 69 years.

THE WEATHER.

CINCINNATI, December 22.—The river continues frozen over. Four inches of snow fell last night. It is now raining. Thermometer 33 deg.

SALT LAKE, December 21.—A heavy snow storm is prevailing all over the country here. The Mormons say we are experiencing the severest weather felt for many years.

NEW YORK, December 22.—The cold has sensibly abated, but the river is filled with floating ice. There is snow and hail tonight.

NIAGARA FALLS.

Alexis.

NIAGARA FALLS, December 22.—Grand Duke Alexis arrived at Clifton, on the bridge, this afternoon, and was received by the civil and military authorities. The party crossed the new suspension bridge and took dinner at the Spencer House. The Grand Duke will remain until morning, when, after viewing the scenery on the American side of the falls, he will leave for Buffalo.

WISCONSIN.

Preparing to Receive Alexis.

MILWAUKEE, December 22.—The Grand Duke Alexis will arrive here on the evening of the 23d of January, and leave the next morning of the 4th. This will give ample time for carrying out the excellent programme agreed upon by the committee.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

—The Whiting Works of John Potter & Co., at Philadelphia, were burned yesterday. Loss $25,000.

—Rear Admiral Edward A. Ingliefield, R. N., has been appointed naval attache of the British legation at Washington.

—Late advice from officers in charge of the Apache Indians say that more than one-half of these Indians have come in to different camps and are now at peace.

—Ike Rivers, of Arkansas has taken no further action in regard to the troubles in Chicot county. He is awaiting a report from his Adjutant General.

—Frank Mayes, colored, was hung at Grenada, Miss., yesterday, for the murder of his wife. He was so overcome by fright that he had to be carried to the scaffold.

—The Phi-Kappa-Psi fraternity, representing thirty-three college societies, closed their annual festivities yesterday at Philadelphia. Theodore Tilton delivered an oration. Charles Sumner was chosen orator for next year.

—The car containing the mails, express and baggage on the morning train from Indianapolis to Terre Haute, Ind., by the Vandalia Railroad, was burned from the car at Sedgwick and the car and contents, except the mails and baggage, were entirely consumed.

—A dispatch from Washington says that indictments are in course of preparation against a person for fraud practiced upon the Government several years ago. The facts are withheld, but the evidence in hand is such as to justify the expectation of the recovery of a large sum of money and a successful criminal prosecution.

—A dispatch from Fort Wayne, Ind., states that Beaver, Miller & Co.'s planing mill, Gregg & Schaaf's furniture factory, together with several barns and one dwelling house, were destroyed yesterday morning. The total loss is nearly $80,000, but only $30,000 is insured. Water was scarce, and it was so very cold that the firemen were unable to do much.

Cotton Markets.

CHARLESTON, December 22.—Cotton steady; middlings 19c; net receipts 1,369 bales; gross 1,457; exports: coast, 2,411; sales 600; stock 2,977. LIVERPOOL, December 22.—Cotton strong with an active demand; middling 10c; net receipts 1,387 bales; exports to Rotterdam, 710; coastwise, 1,073; sales 3,500, stock, 74,331; net receipts for week, 26,326; exports to Great Britain 4,157; to the continent, 15,947; coastwise, 3,730. Sales this week, 38,800.

GALVESTON, December 22.—Cotton active; good ordinary 17½c; net receipts 1,914 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,481; coastwise 45; sales 2,000; stock 37,841; net receipts for this week 10,482; exports to Great Britain, 3,915; coastwise 2,56; sales this week 7,600.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK.

FOREIGN.

Austrian Finances.

SMALL-POX IN ENGLAND.

Italian Army Budget.

SAILING OF THE FLORIDA.

The Steamer Hornet.

FRENCH PRESS EXCITED.

GREAT BRITAIN

NOTICE TO AMERICANS.

LONDON, December 22.—A notice has been issued from the American Legation here to the effect that it is desirable that all citizens of the United States intending to travel on the continent provide themselves with passports.

SMALL-POX.

The small-pox prevails to an alarming extent in Birmingham. Special hospitals are to be established, the sick to be quarantined, and other precautionary measures have been taken by the authorities to prevent a further spread of the disease.

HOLIDAY.

The Tuesday after Christmas will be observed as a holiday. The Stock Exchange and markets generally will be closed and business almost wholly suspended.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

LONDON, December 23, 1:05 A. M.—The alarming special dispatch which was published in the *Pall Mall Gazette* yesterday relative to the Prince of Wales has no foundation. The Prince continues to progress towards recovery, and there is no increase in his fever.

FRANCE.

UNSATISFACTORY REPLY.

PARIS, December 22.—Count de Remusat has made representations to Signor Visnasta, the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, complaining of the tone of King Victor Emanuel's reply to the request of the French Government for the recall of Chevalier Nigra from Paris.

THE ASSEMBLY.

PARIS, December 22.—The Constitution Committee of the Assembly has rejected the proposition for a return to Paris.

The Assembly to-day commenced to debate the report of the committee favoring the imposition of a tax on incomes, except those arising from real estate. The Chamber of the Left support the tax, while those of the Right, and Thiers himself, oppose it.

THE FRENCH PRESS EXCITED.

A recent dispatch from Bismarck to Baron Von Arnim excites the French press to renewed bitterness against Germany. The tone of the journals generally is well expressed by the Paris *Temps*, which says: "The silence of the vanquished is a fit reply to the insults of the victors. A river of blood has divided us. We know how to suffer and to wait."

MINISTERIAL CHANGE.

PARIS, December 22.—It is stated that General Chanzy has resigned the office of Minister of War, and that the latter will be sent to Washington as French Minister.

WEST INDIES.

SAILING OF THE FLORIDA.

ST. THOMAS, December 22.—The American steamer Florida, after having detached her screw, started under sail for New York on the 16th inst. The steamer Hornet-of-War Cordo Nunez immediately followed the Florida, fired a blank cartridge, overhauled her and examined her papers, which were found to be correct, and the Florida proceeded on her voyage.

ARRIVAL OF PROF. AGASSIZ.

The United States steamer Hassler, with Prof. Agassiz on board, has arrived from Boston.

TROUBLE AT CURACOA.

CURACOA, November 21.—Great excitement was caused here by the arrest of the Dutch consul-general by order of the Government. The arrest gave rise to demonstrations by the people. The Governor ordered the troops to fire upon the crowd, killing one person and wounding nineteen. The action of the Governor has created much dissatisfaction among the people. The trouble arose from personal enmity between the Attorney General and the Governor.

THE STEAMER HORNET.

JACMEL, December 8.—The case of the steamer Hornet is considered settled. The Spanish man-of-war Zaragossa remained two days off Port au Prince without communicating with the shore. Burgwin Coffin then sent a dispatch to the Government, asking if the Spanish Consul could enjoy the same guarantees and hospitality as was the case when the Consul would land again. The Government replied in the affirmative, and the Consul landed and re-occupied his post. It is reported that the commander of the Zaragossa asked the Government to remove some important pieces of machinery from the Hornet, thus rendering her unfit for sea. But the Government refused, and the Zaragossa sailed without taking the Cuba, where she has since arrived.

It is stated that Spanish vessels will remain at Port au Prince until the Hornet question is settled by the Washington and Madrid Governments.

President Saget has arrived at Port au Prince.

RETURNED.

SAN DOMINGO, December 12.—President Baez has returned to the Capital.

THE REVOLUTION.

Engagements have taken place between Baez's troops and the Revolutionists. Cabral was beaten at Niebs and compelled to abandon the place hastily. His loss was heavy in men and munitions of war. He was in rags and clothing. General Pimental resisted the attack of Baez's forces successfully at Santa Guan and routed them.

CANADA.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

TORONTO, ONT., December 22.—Blake today, in the Legislature, entered into an explanation of the ministerial policy. He contended that the Provincial Government should take a position of neutrality in regard to the Dominion Government. There should be neither an alliance nor hostility. Ontario should not interfere with the Dominion affairs, nor with the affairs of any other province, except when her rights were infringed upon. The policy of the administration was that there should be the utmost parliamentary economy over the public funds. To hand over such control to the executive would be an abandonment of the trust of the House of its most important functions. Public provincial institutions should be more under parliamentary control. In no regard to contract, charge or regulation. More stringent laws to secure the independence of Parliament would be introduced, and a bill to secure the extension of the franchise would be brought in.

ITALY.

PREPARED FOR THE EVIL.

ROME, December 22.—The Army Budget has passed the Committee on Budgets. The Minister of War, while admitting that the military establishment of the country should be fully provided for, declared that there was no reason to fear aggression on the part of their neighbor—France—for an aggressive policy was opposed to her interests. Though there was no danger at present, he said, the nation should always be *prepared for the evil*.

The Senate has adjourned over the holidays.

AUSTRIA.

THE FINANCES.

VIENNA, December 22.—The statement is made on creditable authority that the forthcoming budget will show a surplus of twenty-one million florins. The receipts were over the expenditures for the year, instead of a deficit, as anticipated.

SOUTH AMERICA.

THE VENEZUELAN REVOLUTION.

CARACCAS, December 8.—Blanco, with four thousand men, is now in the interior, operating against the revolutionists, who are retiring before the President and are preparing for a final struggle.

HOLLAND.

THE LEGATION AT THE VATICAN.

THE HAGUE, December 22.—The Roman Catholic Bishops of this country have united in a memorial to the King, praying him not to discontinue the Dutch legation at the Vatican.

UTAH.

The Murder of Dr. Robinson.

SALT LAKE, December 21.—Mrs. Robinson, the widow of the murdered Dr. Robinson, is expected here to-morrow from San Francisco to testify in the examination of the alleged assassins of her husband.

ENDOWMENT HOUSE.

It is stated that eighteen persons were burned through the ordowment house on Monday night.

PROSECUTION OF MORMONS.

Robert N. Baskin, the late acting United States District Attorney, has been employed by the United States Government to assist in the prosecution against Brigham Young, Wells, Stout and others.

CINCINNATI.

The Southern Railway.

CINCINNATI, O., December 22.—Resolutions calling for the repeal of the law authorizing the city to issue seven hundred and fifteen million dollars to build the Southern Railway, and directing the City Solicitor to sue out an injunction to prevent the issue of the same pending legislation, were introduced so-day in the Board of Aldermen by H. B. Bissell, and were referred to the Committee on Claims. It is apparent that those who are opposed to the city making this expenditure propose to make an effort at this juncture to prevent the city from entering upon this work, kindred resolutions having been introduced in the Chamber of Commerce.

PITTSBURGH COUNCILS.

They "Exchange System"—Action of Water Committee in Giving Contract for Boilers Indorsed—Opinion of the City Solicitor With Reference to Powder Magazines—An Important Railway Ordinance—The Vacation of Grant and Other Streets—The Council Clerkship Fixed—A "Little Bill" Not Endorsed—Various Minor Matters of Business.

Pursuant to adjournment at the last regular meeting, Pittsburgh Councils assembled yesterday afternoon, December 22d, 1871, to finish up old business and prepare for the incoming of the new year.

SELECT COUNCIL.

A. H. GROSS.....President
E. S. MORROW.....Clerk

Council was called to order by President Gross at fifteen minutes past two o'clock, the following members being present:

Messrs. Adams, Barger, Bingwin, Coffin, Donnelly, Herron, Jeremy, E. P. Jones, Laufman, Liddell, Asdale, Little, Lloyd, Marshall, McCune, Morrow, Murdock, Murray, Neely, Rafferty, Schmidt, Scully, Seely, Shipton, Thompson, Wainwright, Riddell, Wilson, and President Gross.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTION, &C.

Mr. MCCUNE, from the Fourth ward, presented a number of petitions for reduction of business tax. Referred to Finance Committee.

The same gentleman presented a resolution authorizing the Controller to make a number of transfers of appropriations to other appropriations. Passed.

Mr. RIDDELL presented a resolution authorizing the Guardians of the Poor to take charge of all indigent persons suffering from any kind of disease, and collect the costs from the district from whence they came, as provided by Acts of Assembly.

Mr. MCCUNE suggested as an amendment that instead of the resolution "directing the Poor be *authorized*," the resolution read, "*be requested*."

The amendment was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Mr. THOMPSON presented a petition for reduction of business tax of certain party.

Mr. SCULLY, a resolution instructing the City Engineer to fix the line of Second avenue, in the Twenty-second ward.

BUSINESS FROM COMMON COUNCIL.

was taken up, with the following result:

Report of viewers of Bates street, from Ward street to the Monongahela river, concurred in. Plan for change of location of Chiselel street, Seventh ward; S. C. concurred. Report of viewers on Third avenue sewer; concurred in. Profile of viewers; Profiles of Try street and First avenue; approved in C. C.; Select Council concurred. Profile of Butler street from Forty-ninth street to Hiland avenue. Report of viewers of Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets sewer; in C. C. concurred. Profile of W. B. Mellvaine's plan of lots; concurred in. Profile of Donaldson's plan of lots; concurred in. Report of Survey Committee; concurred in Resolution for increase of committee to audit accounts of City Hall Commissioners. Adopted in C. C. and S. C. concurred, and Mr. Murray added to committee. Report of Monongahela Wharf Committee for November. Concurred. Report of Special Committee appointed to investigate certain rumors affecting the character of a member of Councils. Concurred. Ordinance creating Fifth avenue, from Elm street to Ella street. Concurred. Ordinance to amend ordinance of Water Committee, and Supervision, which relates to the fixing of the salaries of the Engineers and Secretary of the Commission, and also changing the ordinance creating the Commission, so that hereafter the Commissioners shall have full power to elect and fix salaries of subordinate officers.

Mr. RIDDELL—If we grant to the Water Commission any such power as is demanded, then we might as well abolish Councils altogether in relation to the government of the police and fire departments.

Mr. ASDALE—I am opposed to granting any such power to the Water Commissioners as they ask. If we do this, then they can go and appoint their brothers, cousins, &c., to as many offices as they like.

Mr. E. P. JONES—We selected this Commission with the utmost confidence. It is unreasonable to say that they should come into Councils to ask for instructions in these minor matters.

After a vast deal of discussion as to the propriety of clothing the Commissioners with the power conferred by the ordinance, the question finally received upon its final passage. The motion was carried by a vote of 25 to 9.

FROM COMMON COUNCIL.

A petition and remonstrance against the Superintendent and Clerks of markets $200 each for extra services; concurred in.

Resolution providing that when Councils adjourn it be to meet on Friday, the 29th inst. Select Council concurred.

An ordinance increasing the salary of the Messenger for Councils from $900 to $1,000. Select Council concurred.

Adjourned until Friday, December 29th.

COMMON COUNCIL.

H. W. OLIVER, Jr.....President.
H. MCMASTER.....Clerk.

Twenty minutes past two o'clock and no quorum; President Oliver from the desk, smiles benignly upon the punctual members, and ever and anon casts a glance toward the door-way in desperation, and overcome with an official enthusiasm the juvenile page seizes the gavel, and beats a tattoo on the door-jamb, the sound of which rings through the wide hallway and dies like the echo of a wail as it descends the stairs and down the street. In response slowly they come, one, two, three, and 6 new count is ordered; half dozen more straggling in, and the action of C. G. being thus concurred in.

Mr. FOLLANSBEE offered an ordinance providing for increasing the messenger's salary to $1,000. Passed finally.

Mr. MCCANDLESS offered a resolution authorizing the payment of $200 additional to each of the two market superintendents for extra services during the present fiscal year. Passed finally.

[It had been recommended unanimously by the Market Committee.]

The resolution was carried.

Mr. SCHEIBLEY offered a resolution authorizing warrants for payment of Council pages. Carried.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 23, 1871.

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GOLD closed in New York yesterday at 108¼@108¾.

WE PUBLISH in another column the main portion of the recent bill lintroduced in Congress by our representative General Negley, in relation to our Ohio River interests. By a reference to it, its great importance will be found, and our river men are placed under additional obligations to our energetic member. General Negley's position on the Committee of Commerce enabled him to act effectively and promptly and we can now understand why he was changed from his former position on the Committee on Military Affairs. We have a copy of the entire bill as it passed, but it is so long that we thought it the better plan to publish only those portions which affected our home interests. On behalf of our river men we cordially thank General Negley for his efficient labors.

THE position which the GAZETTE took a few days ago, with reference to the recent contest in the U. S. Senate over the resolution calling for the appointment of a Committee of Investigation, is proved to have been the correct one. There are grounds for believing that the sudden spasm of retrenchment exhibited by Senators Trumbull and Schurz had its origin in New York, and was but a part—a single scene, in the dramatic battle waged by the Fenton faction, against the renomination of President Grant. The friends of the Administration completely outwitted the forehead faction by showing a prompt determination to order an investigation into any charge brought against an office holder. The Republican party has nothing to fear from any Committee of Investigation, and all that is necessary is to so construct such a committee that full justice may be done all parties.

WE can find no reasonable objection to the adoption of the amendment to the constitution, offered by Senator Sumner, limiting the President of the United States to one term, provided it is to be made a *bona fide* question, to stand on its own merits, and is not offered for the purpose of interfering with the present incumbent. The principle is a sound one, and has been advocated, as Mr. Sumner's preambles show, by some of our ablest statesmen. There can be no doubt that, with some persons, probably to some extent with all, the wish to secure their re-election influences their decisions and perhaps their appointments, but we do not think that such a charge is brought, or even harbored by any one against President Grant. If there be no intention, by this movement to hamper or interfere with the present executive, we imagine that even Sumner will be surprised and annoyed to find how promptly the amendment will be adapted by Congress.

WE have intimations from Washington that Mr. Colfax may yet reconsider his intention of withdrawing from political life. We know positively that influences are at work to effect this change, and that he has so far yielded to them as to agree to take the matter into serious consideration. Mr. Colfax was undoubtedly honest when he announced his intentions of withdrawing from politics at the close of his present term as Vice President. His health had begun to admonish him that rest and quiet were absolutely necessary, if he desired to prolong his days. Since that, however, we are glad to know that he is much improved, and is now able to endure the fatigue of his office without suffering. This, combined with other reasons of a political nature, may induce him to yield to the solicitations of his friends and reconsider. If he should do so, he will without doubt receive a unanimous re-nomination, as his past career has been eminently a successful one, and he enjoys the confidence, not only of his party, but of the people of the United States. His past political course, and his spotless private life have challenged the admiration of even his political foes.

WE PRINT below a condensed statement of the case of the United States against Great Britain, which is by all odds the clearest summary that we have seen of the matter:

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

The "case" of the United States against Great Britain has been presented to the Geneva Commission. The statement of the case on the part of the United States makes a volume of 500 printed pages, which for convenience has been translated into French. Accompanying this are the documents, official correspondence, and other evidence on the part of the United States, making alone seven printed volumes, and the right is reserved to file such additional papers as may be considered important. The demand of the United States is for payment of claims of the classes following:

1. The claims for direct losses from the destruction of vessels and their cargoes by the insurgent cruisers.
2. The national expenditure in the pursuit of these cruisers.
3. Loss in the transfer of the American commercial marine to the British flag.
4. The increased rates paid for insurance on American vessels.
5. The prolongation of the war and the increased cost to the United States in the suppression of the rebellion.
6. Interest from July, 1863, to the date of the award.

The following is a summary of the amounts claimed for damages caused by each cruiser.

By the Alabama	$6,547,609 86
By the Boston	400 00
By the Chickamauga	95,654 85
By the Florida	3,698,609 34
By the Georgia	883,976 56
By the Nashville	69,536 70
By the Retribution	20,334 52
By the Sallie	5,549 00
By the Shenandoah	6,488,320 31
By the Sumter	10,695 83
By the Tallahassee	579,955 55
Total	$17,900,683 46
For losses from increased war premiums	1,120,795 15
	$19,021,428 61

To these sums must be added interest and the various demands for consequential damages. The next thing in order will be the filing of the case on the British side, which will be as voluminous as that on our part, the whole being equal to 10,000 pages of printed matter, thus giving the Commissioners a reasonable share of reading matter for the year.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The *Christian Instructor* has undertaken to define the character and duties of the Ruling Eldership. In drawing the picture of what a Ruling Elder should *be*, the lines are sharply defined. An officer of this character should be a man of consistency and of such an upright type, that the people may look up to him as a follower and example of everything lovely and of good report. His work should chiefly consist in aiding the pastor in various ways, and visiting the aged and the infirm and sick of the congregation. By his personal labors many strangers might be brought to the house of God.

The General Conference of the Seventh Day Adventists for 1872, will be held early in January. It is proposed to celebrate the bicentennial of the denomination, the first "Sabbath keeping Church" in America, having been organized at Newport, R. I., December 23, 1671.

According to recent statistics, the Third Presbyterian church of Elizabeth, New Jersey, organized two hundred and seven years ago. Three hundred and ninety-five persons have been added to its membership within the last ten years.

At the suggestion of Rev. S. H. Scovel, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, a full and efficient Board of Deacons has just been elected. The duties are chiefly to look after the poor and needy.

Spring Garden Methodist Episcopal church, Philadelphia, has dispensed about seventeen thousand dollars in charities within the last six weeks. Sunday week a collection of thirty-four thousand dollars was taken for the Home for the Aged and Infirm Methodists.

As much interest prevails in regard to Plymouth church, under the pastoral care of Rev. H. W. Beecher, the annual report shows some facts that are insignificant. During the year there have been two hundred and six admissions to membership, and seventy-two removals. The total membership is a little over twenty-one hundred. The income from pew rent was $56,774 and the collections for charitable purposes, $29,004.

An actor from one of the New York theatres, and a Roman Catholic physician, both converts at the Fulton Street Prayer Meeting, were received into the North Reformed (Dutch) church recently.

Quite an interesting work of revival prevails at the new meeting-house of the Orthodox Friends, on the corner of Washington and Lexington avenues, Brooklyn, N. Y. This is an extraordinary meeting, and something novel among the Quakers. Penitents are asked to rise for prayers, converts are urged to speak for Jesus, the Scriptures are expounded with great ability, exhortations are delivered with unction.

Rev. C. A. Dickie, formerly of Allegheny City, now of St. Louis, has been called to be the Pastor of the Alexander Presbyterian church, Philadelphia.

A Quaker woman preacher, in attendance at the meeting of the Friends at Brooklyn, attended the Fulton Street Prayer Meeting the other day, and, not knowing the rule prohibiting women from speaking, rose to bear testimony, as she said, to the Savior. She was proceeding in a quiet, gentle way to state her experience, when she was called to order, and told that her speaking was against the rules. Overwhelmed with confusion, the lady sat down and burst into tears. The act stirred up much feeling, and a demand was made that this rule ought to be revoked, or a placard put up that ladies were not permitted to speak.

The Methodist State Convention of New York, held at Syracuse some days ago, took action insisting that an amendment should be added to the Constitution prohibiting appropriations of public funds for sectarian schools, also, that the granting a license, or the signing of a petition for, or voting for a license, a violation of the spirit and teachings of the rules of the church.

An extraordinary revival prevails at Union Appointment of the New York Conference, M. E. Church, at which one hundred and thirty-five persons have been converted and joined the Church. More than two-thirds of them are heads of families.

A new Jewish congregation is forming at Chicago, by Dr. Chronik, a well-known Rabbi, which will observe the first day of the week as their Sabbath, instead of Saturday.

Hon. E. R. Mudge in a recent lecture before the Boston Church Association represented the Episcopal Church, to be divided into no less than eight classes, as follows: 1. Radical Low Churchmen; 2. Conservative Low Churchmen; 3. Conservative High Churchmen; 4. Radical High Churchmen; 5. High and Dry Churchmen; 6. Newer High Churchmen; 7. Ritualists; 8. The Broads. Does not this wear somewhat the appearance of a house divided against itself?

It is estimated that over one thousand Indians have joined the Methodist Episcopal Church South, this year.

The college and seminary of the Augustana (Swedish) Synod at Paxton, Illinois, contains fifty students preparing for the ministry.

It is reported that Bishop Henni, of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wisconsin, confirmed nearly eighteen persons in thirteen days during November.

THE NEW STEAMBOAT BILL.

Some of Its Provisions.

The bill introduced by Mr. Negley provides for the amendment of sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, eleven, sixteen, twenty, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-six, twenty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-seven, forty-eight, forty-nine, fifty two, fifty-three, fifty-five, fifty-seven, fifty-eight, fifty-nine, sixty, sixty-three, sixty-eight and seventy of the famous steamboat act of last February.

The new bill provides that no steamer or other water-craft having the necessary papers under the law existing at the time such papers were issued shall be required to conform with the provisions of this act, until the old papers have expired. No custom officer is allowed to grant license or other papers until all of its provisions have been complied with. Every steamer is obliged to have a steam pipe from the boiler, communicating with her hold and different compartments, to extinguish fires, and to have every stove on board fastened so as to prevent its being overturned, and all wood work and other ignitable substances, near the boilers, chimneys or stove pipes, thoroughly shielded by some incombustible material so applied as to permit a free circulation of air between it and the ignitable substance. Every steamer exceeding two hundred tons burden must have two double acting fire pumps to be worked by hand each chamber of which shall contain not less than eighty cubic inches of water, and to each there shall be good hose capable of sustaining a pressure of not less than one hundred pounds per square inch, and at least half the length of the boat, the whole to be kept at all times in proper order and at least fifty feet shipped up ready for immediate use; and on every steamer not exceeding two hundred tons burden, one of such pumps may be dispensed with. While they shall each be supplied with water by means of a suitable pipe connecting it with water, but the capacity of eighty cubic inches here mentioned shall not apply to steamers now in service. In addition all steamers shall have a steam fire pump of a capacity equal to one cubic inch for every three tons of measurement, provided that in no case shall the capacity be less than one hundred cubic inches, nor need it be more than five hundred cubic inches.

Except on ferry boats, no loose hay, (except for feeding stock), loose cotton or hemp, camphene, nitro-glycerine, naptha, benzole, crude petroleum and other like explosive burning fluids shall be carried as freight on steamers carrying passengers nor shall baled cotton or hemp be carried on such steamers unless compressed and covered in good merchantable order gunpowder, vitriol, chemical oils, carefully packed refined petroleum, turpines, oils, and varnishes, and carefully boxed friction matches may be carried on the decks or guards if at a sure distance from fire or heat. Provision is made by which under permission from the inspector of steam boats, the owners of steam vessels may be allowed by the Secretary of the Treasury to use petroleum prepared as fuel. All steamers navigating the waters flowing into the Gulf of Mexico, and their tributaries, and carrying passengers, shall have on duty, between sun set and sun rise, three watch men, whose places of duty shall be designated by the officers in charge of the steamer. Every steamer navigating rivers only (excepting ferry boats) shall have at least one good wooden working boat with lines attached, supplied with oars and in good condition for immediate use every steamer (ferry boats excepted) carrying passengers shall have a cork or wooden life-preserver weighing not less than six pounds, capable of sustaining in the water not less than eighteen pounds of iron, for each cabin passenger which she is permitted to carry, and a good wooden life preserver for every deck or steerage passenger, including officers and crew, and fire buckets, water barrels and axes in proportion to tonnage. No person interested directly or indirectly in any patented articles required by this act to be used on steamers, and no person of intemperate habits is available to hold the office of supervising or local inspector. All inspectors are required to be reliable and capable men, and their duties are very plainly defined. They are to inspect all boilers by hydrostatic pressure at least once a year, and to examine the material of the boilers, the water and steam passages, and all pipes and tubes exposed to heat, in order to see if they be of proper dimensions and free from obstructions, and attention is to be paid to the forms of the flues, the character of the feeders, the safety-valves, gauges, indicators and whistles, and it is provided that all boilers shall be subjected to a hydrostatic test in the ratio of one hundred pounds in the square inch to seventy-five pounds in the square inch of the working steam power allowed.

A TEXAS paper has the following: "Married, on the 1st instant, by early candle-light, at the wigwam of the bride, in the town of Mason, Mason county, Texas, by James M. Hunter, Esq., presiding justice of said county, Senor Robert Gardner, of the republic of Mexico, to Miss Amy Perryman, of the renowned tribe of Seminole Indians, and one of the few followers of the noted chief, Wild Cat. Quite a number of guests were present to witness the two loving hearts blended together and partake of the magnificent preparations that were supplied for the occasion, which would have done honor to the royal lodges of the proudest chieftain."

THE New York *Evening Post* says: "G. W. B." sends us this story. "On Thursday last, a prominent citizen whom I have known and quarrelled with for many years as all wrong in politics, met me in Water street near Wall. He eagerly extended his hand, saying, 'I am no longer a Democrat.' 'I forgive you; embrace me,' I answered; and having done so heartily, he went his way, leaving me happy and saying to myself, 'a soul saved.'"

COMMENDABLE CAUTION.

The storms and changes of winter have set in in earnest. To-day the thermometer may be down to zero and to-morrow forty degrees above; the shocks to the human body, under such vicissitudes of climate are full of perils; the humors are driven upon the internal organs, and the weak organs are the first to suffer. Now comes the chill, the cough, the spitting of blood and pains in the breast, the baleful harbingers of a terrible disease. Stop reader and think! Dr. Keyser's Lung Cure is as sure to arrest such diseases and nip them in their bud as water will extinguish fire. Dr. Keyser's Lung Cure will remove the obstruction; carry off the over-abundant humors which impede and obstruct the channels which perform the work of life; it will allay irritation at once. The cough will be removed; the chilliness will cease; the animal functions will go on with their accustomed regularity. If consumption has already set in, do not wait another day. Dr. Keyser's Lung Cure still has power to cure you and render your life hopeful and happy. Sold at the Drs. Medical Store, 167 Liberty street, $1.50 per bottle or 4 for $5.00

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JAMES E. BURNS & CO.'S
Drug Store and Family Medicine Depot,
Corner of Penn and Sixth (old St. Clair) streets.

PERIL AND PRECAUTION.

This is the season that tries the frame and the constitution. If there be a weak spot in either, the chilling damps, the malarious fogs, the varieties of temperature that mark the commencement of the winter season are sure to find it out. There are few systems that have not a weak spot somewhere, and the wisest thing that any man or woman can do is to fortify it by a course of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, and thus keep the enemy at bay. In war, when a city is menaced the first thing to be done is to strengthen the ramparts. The same policy should be adopted with the human body, when its direst foe, malaria is abroad. If the stomach is weak, this tonic will lend it vigor; if the bowels are morbidly sensitive, this alterative will regulate them; if the liver is inert, this wholesome stimulant will rouse it; if there is constipation, this aperient will cure it; if there is nervous debility, this nervine will replace it with nervous vigor; if there is impurity in the blood, this depurent will neutralize it; if there is a cloud on the spirits, this exhilarant will dispel it. These are facts that have been demonstrated every day for the last twenty years. Can as much be said for any other medicine—or rather, can as much be proved? for anything may be said by the unscrupulous. Do not accept any of the local bitters sometimes recommended by dealers in lieu of the Standard Restorative.

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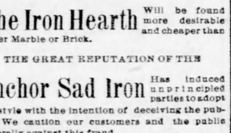

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Finance and Trade.

NEW YORK, December 22, 1871.

Gold was weak, closing at 108⅛@108⅝. Loans ranged from 3 per cent. to 3-64 per cent. for carrying. Clearances about $62,000,000. Governments were strong and higher. Stocks firm, with an upward tendency. There was a sharp advance in Wabash and Union Pacific. Some large blocks changed hands. Miscellaneous speculation was strong, in sympathy with the advance in railways. Express stocks continue firm. The market at the close was strong and generally up to the best prices of the day. Pacific Mail was an exception to the entire market, and declined from 54 to 53, with considerable business. Money was firm this morning at 1-32 to 1-16 per cent.; closed steady at 7 per cent. gold. State bonds rather dull, excepting Tennessee, which advanced about 1 per cent.

Sterling exchange 109¼.

GOVERNMENTS.—Coupons, 1881, 117⅜; 5-20s of 1862, 109¾; '64, 108¾; '65, 111¼; new do, 114; 115¼; '67, 115⅜; 10-40s, 109¾; currency 6's, 114.

STATE BONDS.—Missouri, 97¾; Tennessee, old, 65; do new 61; Virginia, new, 56; do old, 48; North Carolina, old, 31; do new 12.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Western Union Telegraph, 86¾; Quicksilver, 34¾; Adams Express, 50¾; Well-Fargo, 55¾; American Merchants' Union, 59¾; United States, 65; Pacific Mail, 53½; New York Central, 93¾; Erie, 23¾; preferred, 64; Harlem, 128¾, ex. div.; preferred, 125; Reading, 101½; Michigan Central, 118; Cleveland and Pittsburgh, 87¾; North Western, 63¾; preferred, 89; Rock Island, 104¾; New Jersey Central, 90; St. Paul, 50¾; preferred, 77¾; Wabash, 37¾; preferred, 72¾; Fort Wayne, 99; Terre Haute, 16; preferred, 48; Chicago and Alton, 116; preferred, 119; C. C. & I. C., 85; Ohio and Mississippi, 30½; Washington and Quincy, 127; Lake Shore, 91¾; Panama, 95½; Illinois Central, 139; Union Pacific, 38¾; C. P. bonds, 103; Union, 91¾.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, December 22, 1871.

Closing quotations as received by James T. Brady & Co:

Gold	108¼	5-20 Jan. & Jy.'65	114
U. S. 6s, 1881	117⅜	5-20 Jan. & Jy. '67	115¾
U. S. 5-20s '62	109¾	5-20 Jan. & Jy. '68	115¾
U. S. 5-20s '64	109¾	10-40s	109¾
U. S. 5-20s '65	111¼	C. P. R. R.	
U. S. 10-40s	109¾	Cy. Pacifics	

—The Philadelphia *Ledger* of Thursday says: The demand for money at the banks and on Third street has been more than usually urgent during all the present week. While we say this we are gratified in being able to state that the retail trade is also active, and everything in the line of goods moved forward satisfactorily. At bank, the rate, of course, is only 6 per cent., but to make up the difference between that and the street rate of 7 to 8 per cent., those who are accommodated are expected to keep handsome bank balances that may be loaned out to other customers. By these means the banks, with increased profits to themselves, are enabled to accommodate their leading customers, and thus all around are satisfied. Easy, isn't it. Money on call, with Government collateral, rules at 6@7 per cent., and the street rate of 7 to 8 per cent. on 60 per cent. collateral. First-class three and four months' commercial paper is quoted at 10@12 per cent. Paper of doubtful character is not in favor, and difficult to negotiate at from 1 to 15 per cent.

—As the Chicago *Tribune*: The continued decline in gold cannot be satisfactorily accounted for by any one particular reason; there are propably several causes, that are materially nearly an equal influence. Among those which have already been mentioned are the reduction of the rate of interest by the Bank of England, and the outflow of specie from the United States Treasury in redemption of the "called" 5-20s. Another cause is the increased demand for circulating capital to move the cotton and hog crop. This operates both to discourage speculation in gold, and to increase the value of the paper money by extending the field of its circulation. It is worthy of remembrance, in this connection, that the tendency of gold to decline has always been the tendency of paper offered for discount as soon as the season of the year, this tendency also continuing and increasing until about April, when cotton exports usually begin to fall off.

—The St. Louis *Democrat* of Wednesday says: The local money market is unchanged. The demand for loanable funds continues to be very heavy. Five prominent banks report the amount of paper offered for discount yesterday at $250,000, of which $50,000 were taken at 8 to 12. Exchange still continues to rule firm, and is quoted at $1.25 to $ discount per $1,000 between banks and $1 discount to par to customers. Government bonds are quiet.

PITTSBURGH MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, December 22, 1871.

ASHES—Soda Ash, 4c. for common and 4¾@4¾ for refined. Pearls, 11 cts; Pots, 10. Nitrate Soda, 5 cts.

APPLE BUTTER—Common to fair, 50@55 per gallon; prime to choice, 60@65.

APPLES—With a continued good demand and very meagre receipts, the supply is rapidly being reduced, and prices, in consequence, are strong and tending upward sales at $2.50@3.50 for fair to medium, and $4.00@4.50 for prime to choice. The light arrivals is owing mainly to the cold weather.

BUTTER—As noted in our last report, the receipts are increasing and the market, in consequence, a shade easier; but for the best grades prices are still maintained. Sales of prime to choice roll at 25@28. There is little or no demand for common and low grades.

BROOM CORN—Continues dull and neglected; however, holders anticipate an improved demand next month. Prices are nominally unchanged.

BEANS—Steady but unchanged; sales at $2 @2.50 per bushel, for common to prime navy.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Sales, in a jobbing way, at 4¾ cts per lb, or $3 per bbl.

BEESWAX—There is no stock in this market in hands of commission men.

CRANBERRIES—Sales of Jersey cultivated at $12@14 per bbl, and Sackett's Belle Berries at $17.

CEMENT—Louisville, $2.50@3.00 per bbl; Rosendale, $4.00@4.50; Calcined Plaster, $4.25 @4.50.

CIDER—Sales at $5@9 per bbl, according to quality and size of barrel.

CHEESE—Prime New York Goshen, 15½@16; prime Ohio Goshen, 15@15½; Factory, 14@ 14½; Dairy, 13@13½.

CORN MEAL—Is selling in small lots at $1.-65 per cwt or about 90 cts per bushel.

CANNED GOODS—Trade has commenced to look up a little, and holders expect better prices as soon as the demand becomes more active.

CARBON OIL—The market is quiet but steady, with a fair jobbing trade, at 20¾@21 cts for standard brands—usual advance for small lots.

DRESSED HOGS—More active and firmer, though not quotably higher; may be fairly quoted at 5@5¾ cts.

DRIED FRUIT—Peaches continue dull, particularly common stock, though prices are unchanged: halves, 10@10½; mixed, 8@8½; quarters, 7@7½. Apples—7@7¾ for fair to medium and 8@8½ for prime to choice.

EGGS—The receipts of fresh eggs continue meagre, and, with a very light supply, prices are still main tained, 30@35. Cold weather, there are but few buyers aside from the bakers and hotels. Pickeled eggs, 27@28, according to quality and condition.

FLOUR—We can report a steady local trade, and the supply in our market continues small, with no material change to note over in prices. Sales at $7.25@7.50 for good spring extras; $7.75 for choice Minnesota baker's family; and $7.50@8.00 for good to choice red winter wheat. Rye Flour, $5.50.

FEATHERS—No. 1 live geese feathers, 70@ 72 cts in the jobbing way, and 75@80 in a retail way. Mixed stock quoted at 40@60 cts, according to quality.

GRAIN—The grain markets present but little that is new or important. The arrivals continue light in consequence of the blockade on the western roads, and are not likely to change, except in a very limited degree, for a considerable time to come. Advices from the United States Treasury in regard to redemption of the "called" 5-20s. Another cause is the increased demand for circulating capital to move the cotton and hog crop. This operates both to discourage speculation in gold, and to increase the value of the paper money by extending the field of its circulation. It is worthy of remembrance, in this connection, that the tendency of gold to decline has always been the tendency of paper offered for discount as soon as the season of the year, this tendency also continuing and increasing until about April, when cotton exports usually begin to fall off.

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OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, December 22, 1871.

ASHES—Soda Ash, 4c. for common and 4¾@4¾ for refined. Pearls, 11 cts; Pots, 10. Nitrate Soda, 5 cts.

APPLE BUTTER—Common to fair, 50@55 per gallon; prime to choice, 60@65.

APPLES—With a continued good demand and very meagre receipts, the supply is rapidly being reduced, and prices, in consequence, are strong and tending upward sales at $2.50@3.50 for fair to medium, and $4.00@4.50 for prime to choice. The light arrivals is owing mainly to the cold weather.

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BROOM CORN—Continues dull and neglected; however, holders anticipate an improved demand next month. Prices are nominally unchanged.

BEANS—Steady but unchanged; sales at $2 @2.50 per bushel, for common to prime navy.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—Sales, in a jobbing way, at 4¾ cts per lb, or $3 per bbl.

BEESWAX—There is no stock in this market in hands of commission men.

CRANBERRIES—Sales of Jersey cultivated at $12@14 per bbl, and Sackett's Belle Berries at $17.

CEMENT—Louisville, $2.50@3.00 per bbl; Rosendale, $4.00@4.50; Calcined Plaster, $4.25 @4.50.

CIDER—Sales at $5@9 per bbl, according to quality and size of barrel.

CHEESE—Prime New York Goshen, 15½@ 16; prime Ohio Goshen, 15@15½; Factory, 14@ 14½; Dairy, 13@13½.

CORN MEAL—Is selling in small lots at $1.-65 per cwt or about 90 cts per bushel.

CANNED GOODS—Trade has commenced to look up a little, and holders expect better prices as soon as the demand becomes more active.

CARBON OIL—The market is quiet but steady, with a fair jobbing trade, at 20¾@21 cts for standard brands—usual advance for small lots.

DRESSED HOGS—More active and firmer, though not quotably higher; may be fairly quoted at 5@5¾ cts.

DRIED FRUIT—Peaches continue dull, particularly common stock, though prices are unchanged: halves, 10@10½; mixed, 8@8½; quarters, 7@7½. Apples—7@7¾ for fair to medium and 8@8½ for prime to choice.

EGGS—The receipts of fresh eggs continue meagre, and, with a very light supply, prices are still main tained, 30@35. Cold weather, there are but few buyers aside from the bakers and hotels. Pickeled eggs, 27@28, according to quality and condition.

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Live Stock

NEW YORK, December 22.—The 1,300 cattle to-day make 5,300 this week. The recent storm causes late and irregular arrivals and injures trade. Ordinary and medium stock has advanced ¼ to ½c. Extreme heavy are not improved; best 12¼c per cwt; Kentucky selling at 10¾c; many 10 cwt. prime steers sell at 12@12½c; some are still holding; lot 6¾ cwt. Ohio sold at 8½. Three cars of Cherokees, 6 cwt., 6 cars prime Virginia 9¾ cwt., 10½@ 12¼c. There will be a market on both Christmas and New Years. Sheep to-day only 2 cars, making 10,0 for the week; market slow and prices rather easier; prime selling at 5¾c, with 3 cars thin Michigan, 85 lbs, at 4¾c; car Indiana, 105 lbs, 6¼c; 4 cars Canada, 104 lbs, 7¼c; car 196 lbs, 8¾c. Hogs, 5,100, making 44,800 for the week; two cars live sold at 4¾c, and 2 cars at 4¼c; free sales of western dressed at 6¾c.

ALBANY, December 22.—The cattle market opened tame; average quality; receipts inferior; an advance of ¼@½ was demanded owing to light receipts, and in some instances obtained.

BUFFALO, December 22.—The cattle receipts were 25 cars, making the supply 162 cars against 355 cars last week; late arrivals went forward in first hands. Sheep: no transactions. Hogs: receipts 44 cars; market dull and prices 10c lower; sales at $4.05@4.50 for common to choice.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, November 22.—Flour dull but unchanged. Wheat: speculative demand and prices higher; No 1 spring $1.21⅛; No 2 $1.18¾; No 3 $1.13@1.18¾; seller January $1.19¾; seller last half $1.20⅛; February $1.21⅛. Corn: active and advanced; No 2 mixed 40¾@40⅞c; seller January 41¾@41¾c; February 41⅛@ 42¾c; April 43¾@43¾c. Oats firm; No 2 spot 33½c; seller January 33¼@33¾c. Rye firm; No 2 64@65c. Barley: the demand is moderate and fairly active; market quiet and steady. Good roasting coffees are now held at 18 cts in bond, gold and it is expected prices will advance before long before there is a halt—they are worth about 19 cts to-day. Sugars quiet and weak, though without quotable change in prices as New Orleans there has been a decline of ⅛@¼ of a cent within the past week, and at the same point. Molasses dropped 2 cts on arrival to-day time. The indications generally at the present time point to a still further decline. Syrups, Spices, and Spices quiet and unchanged.

SUGARS—Refined—Standard Hards, 13¾. A, 12¾. B, 12¼; Ex. C, 12¾; C. Yellow, 12¼. Portoricos, 12¾@13. Sugar-cured Hams, 13@14. Cuba Sugars, 10@11. Demarara, 12¾@ 13¾. Sugar House Sugars—Knight's Extra C. Yellow, 11¾; C. 11¾; other grades, 10@11.

COFFEE—Fancy Rio, 25. Prime, 24; Good, 23. Fair, 22@22¾. Java, 28@30. Laguayra, 25@ 26. Mocha, 30. Roasted Coffee, pure, 20. Lower grades, 24@28.

SYRUPS—Havemyer & Elder's, 68. White Honey, 68; Lovering's, 68. Durant's, 68. Sugar Drips, 55. Hunter Bros., Orange Blossom, 48@50. New Orleans, 60@65. Sugar-house Syrups, new crop, 60.

RICE—Choice Carolina, 10; Good, 9¾; Fair, 9. Rangoon, 8. Patna, 8¾.

SPICES—Pepper, 24. Allspice, 18. Cassia, 5. Cloves, 35. Nutmegs, $1.40.

HAY—The arrivals continue light and with a steady demand, prices are maintained; fair to prime baled sold at $20@30 by the car load and $33@35 in jobbing way.

HUSES—Quoted at 2¾@3¾ cts.

HONEY—Sells at 25@30 cts.

HEMP—Kentucky fine, $165 per ton; single dressed, $240; Scutched, $190@195.

HOMINY—Sales at $5 per bbl to the trade and $5.50 in jobbing way.

LARD OIL—No 1 extra, 87@90; No. 2, 40@65. Cincinnati and Chicago brands, 90 cts, for No. 1. There is no change to note in the situation, the suspension of navigation, there has been a large falling off in the receipts and the supply in the Eastern markets is being rapidly reduced.

LIME—Perrysburg white, $2.00@2.25 per bbl; Cleveland $2.25; Eastern, $1.75.

MILL FEED—Sales, in a jobbing way, from store, at $22@23 per ton for Bran; $25@26 for Seconds; $30@35 for Middlings, and $27 for Oil Meal.

NUTS—Chestnuts very dull, $2.50@3.00 per bushel. Shellbarks, $1.50@1.75. Walnuts, 80@ 90 cts.

ONIONS—Dull but unchanged; common reds, $2.50@2.75 per bbl; Silver Skins, $3@3.25.

PROVISIONS—Plain Bacon Shoulders, 7¾; ribbed sides, 8; short ribbed sides, 8¾; clear sides, 9; sugar cured shoulders, 9; sugar cured hams, 14. Lard: in tes, 9½@10 cts. Mess Pork, $14. Breakfast Bacon, 10. Dried Beef, 16.

POULTRY—There was an active demand for dressed Turkeys to-day and we advance our quotations to 14@18 cts. Chickens, 12@13. Ducks, 14@15. Geese, 10@12.

POTATOES—Notwithstanding the supply is light, the market is quiet and prices unchanged; Peach Blows quoted at 80@90 cts. It is said that the early white potatoes picked up pretty well in the fall, hence the demand is not active.

RAGS—Sales, 4@4¼ cts per lb.

SALT—Is quoted at $1.85 per bbl, by the car load, and $2 in a jobbing way.

SEEDS—Clover Seed is quiet and unchanged; $6.00@6.25 buying, and $6.50@6.75 selling. Timothy Seed, $3.00@3.25, buying and selling. There is a good demand and Flaxseed at $1.80.

SHAKER CORN—13@14 cts per lb.

SUMAC—Teanessee is quoted at 4¾ cts per lb, or 90 per ton.

TURNIPS—Very dull; quoted nominally at 35@40 cts per bushel.

WILLOW—Stock almost used up, with none to come in until new crop; selling freely at 100.

PITTSBURGH IRON MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, December 22, 1871.

The metal market, as will be seen by reference to the report of sales below annexed, has been fairly active during the past week, though, while prices are firm, there has been no change whatever. The offerings for immediate delivery are very limited, as there is no stock, and, as will be seen, the mills are contracting ahead—most of the sales during the past two or three weeks have been for January, February and March deliveries. Good standard forge mill irons are selling readily at $40, for either present or future delivery. Bunder irons continue quiet and unchanged; $41@42 for No. 1 and $42.50@43 for No. 1 extra.

There is no movement in Blooms at present, but an improvement in the demand is expected soon. The arrivals have been a little larger recently than for weeks, although no accumulating slightly, in consequence.

In manufactured iron, trade, as is always the case at this particular time, is a little quiet just now, but manufacturers generally have about all the orders they can fill at present prices. As noted in our last report, the prospects for an unusually heavy spring trade are all that could be desired.

Our steel mills are all reported busy, and the market for this class of goods is very firm and prices are tending upward.

Following is a pretty full report of the sales of metal during the week:

PITTSBURGH FOUNDRY COKE.

100 tons Gray Forge, ... $40 00 4 mos

ANTHRACITE.

100 tons Gray Forge, ... $40 00 4 mos

600 " Chickies Foundry for Dec. Jan. and Feb. delivery 36 00 cash

50 " Ex Gray Neutral Forge..... 40 00 4 mos

300 " Ex Gray Forge from yard..... 40 00 4 mos

50 " No. 1 Foundry from yard.. 41 00 4 mos

100 " No. 1 Foundry from yard.. 41 00 4 mos

50 " All Ex Foundry, lay brand 43 00 4 mos

300 " No. 3 Forge..... 40 00 4 mos

100 " No. 1 Foundry..... 41 00 4 mos

BITUMINOUS COKE SMELTED FROM LAKE SUPERIOR.

500 tons No. 1 Mill, Jan and Feb delivery, at furnace..... $40 00 4 mos

900 " No. 1 Mill, Jan and Feb delivery, at furnace..... 38 00 4 mos

100 " No. 1 Mill, from Yard..... 40 00 4 mos

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100 " No. 1 Mill, to arrive..... 40 00 4 mos

200 " No. 1 Mill, to arrive..... 40 00 4 mos

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50 " White and mottled..... 37 00 4 mos

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300 " No. 1 Mill, to arrive..... 40 00 4 mos

200 " No. 1 Mill, to arrive..... 40 00 4 mos

HANGING ROCK.

50 tons No. 1 Foundry ..... $44 00 4 mos

PETROLEUM MARKET.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, December 22, 1871.

Crude continues dull and weak, and, prices as compared with yesterday are a shade lower. Parker quoted to-day at $3.87½@3.70, against $3.75 yesterday. Seller December (Pittsburgh delivery) nominal at 10¾@10¾. Refined, for immediate delivery, is firm and higher; December, 22¾, against 22 yesterday. It is said that the stock in Philadelphia is very much reduced and to this may be attributed the recent advance in prices. Futures are quiet and unchanged—the inquiry, as already intimated, is mainly for immediate delivery, and the impression is pretty generally entertained that spot oil will go still higher before the 1st of January.

CRUDE OIL RECEIVED BY A. V. H. R.

Model O W, account J Bushnell	450
Liberty O W, account T Hackett	74
Fairview O W, account P Hutchinson	302
Standard O W, account T Hackett	462
Vista O W, account H McKelvy	154
Total	2,152

OIL SHIPPED PER WEST PENN R. R.

Elkins, Bly & Co. 100 bbls refined oil to P O Davis, Phila.

Chas. T. Place, 55 bbls ref'd oil to Chas. T. Pace, Providence, R. I.

Holdship & Co., 48 bbls ref. oil to Waring, K. & Co., Phila.

Total ..... 203 bbls

Receipts Pig Metal, Ore and Blooms.

PITTSBURGH, F. W. & C. R. R.

	cars.		cars.
Nimick & Co, metal	1	Brown & Co., m.....	1
Hallman & H, metal	3	Coleman & Co, m.	5
J. W. Porter metal..	2		
Total	12		

CLEVELAND & PITTSBURGH R. R.

Wilson, G & Co., o...	1	W. Clarke & Co, m..	2
Pitts Bolt Co., ore..	1	Shoenberger & Co, oil	1
Coleman, L & Co, m.	1	Long & Co, metal....	1
Reese, G & Co. ore.	1	Union I Mills, m....	3
Bryan & C, ore.....	1	J Moorhead, metal..	1
Brown & Co., o.....	3	Rees, G & Co, metal	1
Total	26		

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

J Moorhead metal...	1	R. Winter, metal	4
J W Porter, metal...	1	J Wood Sons & Co m	2
Total	8		

ALLEGHENY VALLEY R. R.

W Clarke & Co metal	2	McKnight & Co met..	1
Total	3		

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York.

NEW YORK, December 22.—Cotton firm; middling upland 20¾c. Flour dull and holders are firm; common to good western and State $5.50@5.60; common to good $6.20@6.50; good to choice $6.40@7.00; white wheat extra $7.00@7.10; extra Ohio $6.30@7.30; St. Louis $6.30@7.25. Rye flour and corn meal unchanged. Whisky firmer at 96c. Wheat very quiet and nominal; No. 2 Chicago and Milwaukee in store $1.46@1.49; winter red western $1.56@1.59; amber $1.60@1.62½; white $1.60@1.72. Rye dull; western in store 92c. Barley dull and nominally; two-rowed 75c to 80c. Malt dull. Corn dull but unchanged; new western afloat 77@ 78c; old western mixed in store 77¾c. Oats dull; Western and Ohio in store and afloat 54@ 56c. Eggs firm at 34@35c. Hay and Hops unchanged. Coffee firm; Rio 18¾@20¾c. Sugar firm; Muscovado Prices 9¾@10c. Petroleum; crude 13¾c; refined 23c. Turpentine quiet at 69c. Pork dull and lower, with new mess at $14.75@15.00; old $13.25@13.50; new prime $12.25; new prime mess $11.50@14.00; mess march $14.00@ April $14.50. Beef steady; plain mess $9.00@ 11.00; extra $11.00@13.00; hams steady, at $2.00 @2.50. Lard quiet; prime 16@16½c; kettle dried 16@16¾c. Dressed hogs dull and a shade lower, at $5.25@5.50. Cut meats dull; shoulders 5¾@6; hams 9@10c. Middles heavy; long clear 7¾c; January 7¾c; short rib 7¾c; short cut 7¾c. Lard steady; No 1 to prime steam 8¾@9¼c; prime

RIVER NEWS.

The river moderated considerably yesterday, with a heavy fall of snow in the afternoon, and if it should turn in and rain now there would, no doubt, be a good rise within the next forty-eight hours, and as immediate resumption of navigation. However, the prospects, at this writing, are not very flattering for rain, though the wind is in the east, considered by the weather-wise a good omen.

We acknowledge the receipt of a copy of Com. Rollingpin's River Almanac. It contains a number of the Commodore's humorous letters, is neatly printed, and is well worth the price, 25 cents.

—A Board of United States Engineers, appointed to investigate into the causes of the late accident at the new locks of the Louisville and Portland Canal, have written the requisite examination and made their report. Although not yet made public, enough is known of the report to warrant the assertion that Gen. Weitzel is entirely or nearly from blame in the matter. He is commended for his promptness in repairing the damage, as well as for the plan pursued. It was found that the accident was owing greatly to the careless manner in which the water had been let into the canal, allowing it to rush against the locks while there was no wicket or any other protection below to aid in withstanding the force. Although the sills were found to have been insecurely fastened down, if proper care had been taken the accident might not have occurred at all. It is gratifying to know that Gen. Weitzel has been sustained by his superior officer, Gen. H. H. Humphrey, after a rigid investigation into its effect to promote the commercial interests of the Ohio Valley, which he has done at the risk of transcending the powers given him by the Government.

—The following notice was posted on the bulletin board of the Underwriters, on Change, at St. Louis, on Tuesday: Notice to shippers.—The members of the board are not taking cargo risks between St. Louis and New Orleans on any barges but the best, having holding certificates given for that trade within the last six months are considered good. No risks taken on open hold cargo in the New Orleans trade. W. B. Miller, Inspector.

—While the Lytle was aground at Craig's bar, on Monday, Mr. Knox, her mate, had a narrow escape from drowning. He was working at the rigging of the boat, when slipped his hold, and, missing his footing, fell overboard. As he was being swept rapidly past the Dumont, lying just below, he had sufficient presence of mind to grasp a rope hanging over her bow, and was drawn on board in a half exhausted condition.

—The Great Republic at Cairo, and her owners are awaiting proposals for chartering her for the Grand Duke Alexis, of Russia, on his proposed voyage down the Mississippi river.

—Guy Vinyard, chief clerk of the Florence Line, died of small-pox, at Wheeling on Wednesday morning, aged 35 years. He leaves a wife and two or three children, and had a life policy in the Etna, of Hartford, for $5,000.

—The Evansville *Journal* says that the P. Burke who has opened a drinking saloon in that city is not Pat. Burke, river editor of the Evansville *Courier*.

—The Importer and Tidal Wave are both laid up at Little Rock, awaiting a movement for their advantage in the Arkansas river.

—The E-peranza left St. Louis for New Orleans on Tuesday, and the Mary E. Poe was to leave for Shreveport on Wednesday.

—The E. H. Durfee left St. Louis for New Orleans on Tuesday, with about 400 tons of way freight, drawing four feet.

—The Darling was sold by the United States Marshal at Cincinnati, on Wednesday for $265.

—Mr. Jas. H. Hines, a well-known Cincinnati steamboat clerk, died recently.

STEAM PUMPS.

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ASSESSMENTS.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER, CITY OF ALLEGHENY, Dec. 22, 1871.

NOTICE.—The assessment for the Grading, Paving and Curbing of Sedgwick street, from Pennsylvania to Washington avenues, is now ready for examination, and can be seen at this office until TUESDAY, January 23, 1872, when it will be placed in the hands of the City Controller to serve notices for the payment of the same.

CHAS. DAVIS,

City Engineer.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessments for the opening of Walnut street are now in the hands of the City Attorney for collection. If not paid within thirty days liens will be filed against the property for the same, with interest, costs and fees.

J. F. SLAGLE, City Attorney.

November 24, 1871. no24:30

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the assessments for the opening of Ridge street are now in the hands of the City Attorney for collection. If not paid within thirty days, liens will be filed against the property for the same with interest, costs and fees.

J. F. SLAGLE, City Attorney.

November 24, 1871. no24:30

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessments for opening of Frank street are now in the hands of the City Attorney for collection. If not paid within thirty days, liens will be filed against the property for the same, with interest, cost and fees.

J. F. SLAGLE, City Attorney.

Nov 24, 1871. no24:30

IN THE MATTER OF OPENING Roberts street. In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Allegheny county, Pa. No. 3, December Sessions 1870. Notice is hereby given that the report of the Commissioners in the above case has been confirmed

HOME NEWS.

The Weather Prophet.
See this week's *Real Estate Register*.

Services at All-saints Church.—For some time past this church has been benefited by having services conducted, on Sunday afternoons by the Rev. Jno. H. Eagr, Rector of St. Peters Church, Grant street, Anglican music is used, similar to that formerly often heard in Trinity, during part of Dr. Swope's time. The services for Christmas day will be as follows: Celebration of the Holy Communion, at the first hour of the Feast Day, to begin at 12:15 A. M. At 10:30 A. M. morning prayer, and service for children.

Larceny of a Coat.

Last evening at about six o'clock, a man who gave his name as Jacob Fleight was arrested on a charge of the larceny of a coat from the store of Alexander McIlwaine, on Smithfield street. It appears that Fleight seized the coat in the store in question, and was making away with it as fast as possible, when one of the clerks in the establishment observed the transaction and followed him to the street. The assistance of Officer Sylvis was secured, and the fellow arrested and taken to the lock-up. He will have a hearing this morning.

Fire on Nunnery Hill.

Yesterday morning at about five o'clock, a fire occurred at Huckenstine's Brick Works, located on Nunnery Hill, Allegheny. The fire was first discovered in a frame building used as an engine house, after which it spread to the drying house and thence to the sheds over the kiln. The building and sheds were entirely destroyed, as their location prevented the Fire Department from doing anything to check the flames. The engine house also contained machinery for grinding clay, which, together with the engine, were somewhat fire damaged. It is said there had been no fire about the premises for several days, and it is suspected that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

Through Fire.

The Pittsburgh Opera House management, after two months of active preparation, and an outlay of $2,000, will produce Bartley Campbell's latest dramatic production on Monday next. The scenery, both in magnificence of conception and cost of production, excels anything ever attempted in this city, and does the artist, Mr. Arthur Palmer, great credit. The mechanical effects are superb, and the properties splendid, while the music, both vocal and instrumental has been written expressly for "Through Fire." The very popular young actor, Mr. J. Newton Gotthold, will sustain the leading character, supported by the full strength of the company, which has been considerably augmented. The drama is full of interest, being a touching, stirring story of American life, replete with fine language and tender sentiment, and can not fail to make a great hit. Already a number of seats have been sold, and those who purpose seeing "Through Fire" should secure their seats at once.

Chicago Relief.

In response to the Chicago Y. M. C. A. appeal for the means for helping the sufferers by the Chicago fire, Oliver McClintoon, 23 Fifth avenue, acknowledges the receipt of the following:

A. H. Bell $5, E. S. Blake $5, Mrs. R. C. Moore, Bellefield, one box clothing; John Klingensmith, one box clothing; Fifth Ward Ladies' Chicago Relief Committee, one box clothing. The above have all been shipped, with invoices of their contents. There have also been received and shipped to the Y. M. C. A. of Detroit, for the relief of the sufferers in the Northwest: Scrubgrass Presbyterian Church one box clothing and bedding; Mrs. Mary Ramsey, Green Tree, one box clothing and bedding. The secretary of the Y. M. C. A. writes that "they expect that all pressing wants for clothing will have been supplied by the end of the current year, but that the heavy burden of poverty and sickness which will continue during the winter will require all the money which the charitable can contribute for its relief.

Public Entertainments.

PITTSBURGH OPERA HOUSE.—Last evening, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, a large audience enjoyed the beautiful play of "Ours." This afternoon at the matinee "School" will be produced, and "School" and "Bonnie Fish Wife" at night.

LIBRARY HALL—"Romeo and Juliet" was admirably put upon the stage last night and thoroughly appreciated by a large audience. This afternoon "The Honeymoon" and tonight "Ingomar" will be played. The Coomb's troupe will remain another week. On Monday afternoon they give Lady of Lyons; evening, The Hunchback; Tuesday, London Assurance; Wednesday, The Rose; Thursday, Wife's Secret; Friday, School for Scandal; Saturday matinee, World of Fashion; evening, Love's Sacrifice.

FIFTH AVENUE OPERA HOUSE.—"Through by Daylight" will be repeated this afternoon and to-night. Leffingwell will be the star next week.

VARIETIES.—A most excellent performance may be expected at this theatre this afternoon and evening, and we anticipate full houses.

Second Ward, Allegheny.

Yesterday afternoon was an occasion of excitement and pleasure to the attendants at the Second ward schools, Allegheny. It has heretofore been customary, at the close of the schools for the holiday vacation, to mark the event by a general entertainment, to which the parents and friends of the institution may come. The present year this pleasant custom was adhered to with all the former enthusiasm, but there was a superadded interest from the fact that the exercises were of a more finished order than heretofore, and that, as explained in the circulars, all "literary societies," which exist under the euphonious titles of "Philomathean" and "Cheeronian" have been organized in the schools of the higher rooms for the purpose of cultivating the membership in elocution and composition; and the success has been very gratifying, judging from the efforts of yesterday.

The representatives of the two societies mingled alternately in the programme, which consisted of essays, declamations, select readings and dialogues, pleasantly interspersed with vocal musical exercises, which lent quite an additional charm. Several of the productive were very creditable specimens of composition, and the speakers generally displayed quite a proficiency in elocution. The entertainment was attended by a number of visitors, who frequently manifested their pleasure with applause. The entertainment was concluded with several interesting and appropriate ceremonies between teachers and scholars, which, though not regularly down in the programme, formed agreeable supplements.

The exhibition throughout was a most pleasant one—an improvement upon its predecessors, and should be formed an occasion of interest alike to teachers, scholars and parents.

Preparatory Exhibition at the Western University.

The exhibition of the Preparatory Department of the Western University Chapel last evening was really a very enjoyable affair, and more there to enjoy it than was anticipated in view of the unfriendliness of the snow and rain clouds dominant at the time. There is something or other about collar oratory that will have the ear, and wins it, and passes and fonder mammas, but of the most indifferent, where adult eloquence fails powerless. The University boys were well listened to and generally applauded, and, to do them simple justice, they did not impose upon the good nature of their friendly audience, but had their parts on the end of their tongues, and their easy gesturing betokened careful and skilful training. Fun, in English and German, relieved the gravity of the more solemn discourses, and the music of a good band sandwiched the whole with good effect. The entertainment, take it altogether, reflected great credit at once upon the promising young speakers and Prof. Ludden and his associates. The programme was as follows:

PROGRAMME.

Prayer, by Rev. R. Kerr. Oration, "On being found Guilty of Treason," W. H. White. Oration, "Battle of Waterloo," B. Pass. Oration, "Knowledge from Books," O. H. Clark. Oration, "Speech before the Virginia Convention," J. B. Kerr. "Die Katzen und Hasenbern," F. T. Moorhead. Oration, "Address to American Youth," J. D. Muhlanbring. Oration, "McClaine's Child," F. H. Crawford. Oration, "Marco Bozzaris," R. B. Stone. Oration, "The Mysterious Guest," B. P. Clark. Oration, "Old Hans," W. W. Lawrence. Oration, "The Closing Year," H. H. Stemale. Oration, "Paul Revere's Ride," A. P. Childs. Oration, "Sorrow for the Dead," J. J. Buchanan. Oration, "Spartacus to the Gladiators," A. W. Jaschne. "The Tailor's Complaint," J. J. Leasure.

We have *dispecta membra* of notes of certain Faculty proceedings at Mr. Youngson's elegant saloon, preparatory to the above brotherly story exercises, but the Secretary appointed for the occasion seems to have divided his attention between the transactions of the learned body he was to represent to the public and divers other interests, to the prejudice of the former, and we can furnish our readers little more than they can easily conjecture from the time, the occasion and the men.

New Horticultural and Floral Store.

Probably no one has done so much towards the improvement and increased production of fruits and flowers, in this vicinity at least, as the Rev. J. Knox, whose fame is almost a national one. Messrs. R. Cumming & Co., successors to Mr. Knox, have just moved into and opened No. 99 Smithfield street, in the new Howard Block. The store in which its occupants have fitted it up in the most artistic and convenient manner possible. A huge aquarium attracts the eye of the visitor on their down the door, while a portable fountain, destined, we doubt not, to figure largely among the decorations of future festivals and banquets, while at the extreme end these horticultural artists have had Messrs. Weldon & Kelly build them a handsome wash with water fixtures, and have then turned it into an exquisite rustic grotto surrounding a tiny lakelet, and forming a little gem of wild-wood beauty. Nor is this all they have done for the purpose of rendering their store attractive, for they have heated it with a patent furnace from B. S. Koll's, to which is attached a sort of vaporizer, which renders the warm air moist and humid, and thus adds to the pleasure of visitors to the store. And then there is a great stock of flowers, plants, birds, bird cages, table mats, gold fish, seeds, bulbs, bouquets and baskets of flowers, which in themselves are delightful, without any of the beautiful accessories which they have been surrounded. An experienced decorator, we understand, has been engaged, who will give special attention to the adornment of public or private buildings for gala occasions, besides arranging new floral groupings and designs. Up stairs there is another room designed to be used for exhibitions of flowers, poultry, birds, etc.

Feeling a desire to see the source whence the supplies are to be drawn to feed this warehouse of beauty, we accepted the kind invitation of a member of the firm and were driven out to the extensive grounds of the establishment, where we found seventeen green-houses, and upon entering them we at once felt that here, but a few miles from our cold, busy city, was the tropical metropolis, in which the thermometer grows lazy with standing always at 75 degrees, and where everything is beautiful to the eye, and delicious to the nose—a place where the winter is always past, the flowers always appear and the time of the singing birds has always come.

"The tufted crow-toe and pale jessamine,
The white, pink and the pansy freaked with jet,
The glowing violet,
The musk-rose and the well-attir'd woodbine,
And every flower that sad embroidery wears."

These green houses are devoted entirely to the rearing and propagating of green house and bedding plants, and so great is the demand that a new house, one hundred and fifty feet by eighteen, is in process of erection.

THE CHILDREN'S JUBILEE.

Happy Christmas Anniversary—North Avenue M. E. Sunday school—Speeches Songs and Sweetmeats—"Under the Pines"—A Pleasant Programme and Enjoyable "Treat."

Christmas, merry Christmas, is coming on apace; but there be those to whom Old Time's march in bringing round the happy day seems wondrous slow indeed, and impatient to realize some of the pleasures of the glad time, they reach forward to grasp them in advance. Among those who were thus influenced in a measure were the members of the North avenue M. E. Sunday School, Allegheny, who, actuated by this feeling perhaps, and for other reasons, concluded to anticipate by a few days the advent of "Santa Claus" day of reign, and hold their regular Annual Christmas Jubilee two days previous, which caused it to fall upon last evening. In pursuance thereof the preparations were begun and all the week long the beautiful Sunday school room has been the center of attraction for tireless workers, whose toil and taste at last are exhibited in the elegant and brilliant decorations, which for the time seem to have metamorphosed the room into a miniature bowery of twining pines, fantastically enveloping mottoes full of sentiment and poetry. By unwearied assiduity they succeeded in arranging their designs in time, and the room thus arrayed in its holiday attire, was thrown open for the "Jubilee."

The people began to assemble early, and at half past seven o'clock the room was filled with as pretty a group of animated humanity as one could wish to see; in front were the wee representatives of the Infant Department, supported in the rear by the children of the adult school, while the parents and friends of both filled up the interim, whole numbering about eight hundred persons, to the majority of whom these Annual Jubilee occasions have long since become the most pleasant episodes of all the year.

A short programme for the celebration had been arranged, but owing to the crowding there with, when order was obtained the exercises were opened with the singing of a Christmas Anthem, commencing,

"Lo descending, the Heavens rending
Messengers to God and men,"

which was sung with spirit by all the school. Following was the prayer by the Pastor, Rev. J. B. Mills:

A class of little girls, trained by Miss Kate Lusk, who presided at the organ, and composed of Ella and Clara Walton, Katie Raynor, Carrie Lang, Minnie Kountz, Ella Burgess and Sadie Hall, next sang a beautiful Christmas carol, detailing primitive events connected with the Saviour's birth. This performance was appropriately succeeded by the reading of a portion of Scripture from Luke ii: 7-19, by the school in concert led by the Superintendent, Mr. J. W. Hall, after which came a five minutes address from the Rev. J. W. Baker. Miss Ella Graham, with much spirit and feeling, then read "Annie and Willie's Prayer," a pathetic story in rhyme of Annie and Willie's Christmas and how Santa Claus visited them. Another brief address followed by Mr. Scott, and in turn was succeeded by a youthful performer and an excellent elocutionist for one so young, Master Willie Orr, who spoke of the "Good Tidings" which ended in the glad story announcement of the birth of the Babe of Bethlehem. The girls' class again came on the platform, this time singing a "Ballad in Praise of Christmas Song." They had a slight intermission again, during which Master Richard Horner, a small youth of some seven summers, with a fair degree of gratification of the people, from a pedestal formed by a diminutive foot-stool, urged them in rhythmical numbers, with a "still, strong" voice, to "take up a collection," but inasmuch as this was not at the time necessary, his juvenile but eminently practical financial suggestion was heeded, a postponement of the ceremony being ordered. And then the little girls' class sang a hymn, "Bright Jewels," as a closing selection, which closed the regular programme.

But there was a performance not down in the list which came on before, when Mr. Henry Pratt, a former Superintendent of the school, and at present, as for years, the leader of the church choir, was called forward, much to his surprise. He understood it all, however, after Mr. Thomas Bakewell, a former colleague in the Sunday school work, in a few fitting words, replete with kindly reminiscences of the past, and appreciation in the present, had made him the recipient in behalf of the teachers of a fine gold mounted cane and gold headed cane. In reply was faltering and very brief, but full of feeling. The scholars in one of the larger Bible classes were then called forward, and with their teacher, Mr. Harry S. Walker, when Mr. Dale B. Graham, in behalf of himself and companions presented to the latter an elegantly bound copy of the Holy Scriptures. The *gift* was entirely unexpected, and there was an interval before the teacher could summon sufficient control to appropriately reply.

Thus one part of the exercises were brought to a termination, and preparations were made for the distribution of the sweetmeats, which had been generously donated by Messrs. Rose, Schwarberg & Co., Diamond, Allegheny, and were contained in neat white boxes, which had a capacity of near a pound. The committee having the matter in charge were arranging for the distribution, the school joined in singing Christmas carols, when "Who is he in yonder stall," at the conclusion of which the candles went the rounds, and the children being arranged by class, keeping time to the music as the little girls sang" until all had dispersed.

The entertainment though varied occupied but little over an hour, and before nine o'clock all had been dismissed. And thus another jubilee occasion in the history of this vigorous school, passed, bearing with it all those pleasant associations which ever cluster around such glad gala times.

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Pianos and Music—Plain Facts—Important to Purchasers.

During the festive season of the holidays there is "music in the air," and everybody feels happy either in giving or receiving a pledge of affection which shall keep the memory of some absent friend in his heart, or impress his own image on the heart of some one whom he loves. There is no medium for reciprocating pleasant memories so potent as music, and the songs and airs of other, and perhaps happier, days, when heard in after years, bring with them a sunshine to the heart which brushes away the cobwebs of care, and sends the spiders of misery to their haunts for the time. Appreciating, then, the more acceptable than a good piano with which to while away the long winter evenings?

Now many families, we are aware, deny themselves the luxury of a piano or organ in their house, on the ground that their means will not allow it to be spared—or at least spared not all at once. To meet this objection Messrs. Mellor & Hoene, 139 Fifth avenue, Opera House Hall, have introduced an admirable plan, which cannot fail to meet approbation. It is by what may be termed the renting system, by which on the payment of moderate monthly installments, guaranteed by a reasonable deposit beforehand, every household can secure an instrument to suit its financial means. The terms upon which the firm enter into contracts of this kind are most liberal, and will, in every instance, be modified to suit their patrons. Thus for an instrument whose price is $100, they demand but a cash payment of $15, and monthly payments afterwards of $9, while for an instrument whose price is $500, a cash payment of $100 and monthly payments of $35, until paid for; the figures based on intermediate prices ranging in proportion with the foregoing scale, and being always subject to modification as to amount of payments.

Another matter in connection with the prevailing demand for pianos and organs is that which relates to the fantastic and, in fact, impossible ideas entertained by many people as to the advantage of the firm that the goods they furnish their patrons are well deserving sensations made concerning them. For these and other reasons too numerous to note in detail, we would refer our readers to this establishment when anything in the musical line is in demand.

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S. Hamilton & Co. Want Everybody to Come and See Them That are About to Purchase a Piano or Organ.

Because they have just opened an immense stock of Pianos and Organs, especially for the holidays, which they must sell, and will sell cheaper than can be bought anywhere in the city. No matter what inducements are offered elsewhere, S. Hamilton & Co. will do better. We do not pretend to be offering extra bargains to purchasers, because we have none, but we do it simply because we have an immense stock, too great for us to think of carrying through the winter, and also to establish more fully than ever our reputation as the cheapest Piano and Organ house in the country. We would ask you to come at once. Whether you have much or little money, come and pay what you can down, and you can pay the balance in easy monthly or quarterly payments; come now while our stock is full, fresh and complete. You will now have a better choice. If you cannot get up town through the day come in the evening, as we keep open till nine o'clock every night for those who cannot get here through the day, and to say who live away from the city we would say you need have no hesitation about ordering by letter, as we guarantee satisfaction or no pay. Write and let us know how much you wish to give for an instrument, or how much per month, and you can depend on being suited. You will remember the place is

S. HAMILTON & Co's.,
51 Fifth avenue, Pittsburgh, second floor.

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The stock of goods now offering at the thoroughly reliable jewelry house of Messrs. Jas. R. Reed & Co., No. 68 Fifth avenue, is one of the largest and most carefully selected which they have ever offered to their numerous patrons. There is probably no house in the city which is better known, or which has gained a higher reputation for the sterling quality of goods than that of the Messrs. Reed, and there is no firm in the city in whom more implicit reliance can be placed. The various departments of their store are filled with the choicest and most attractive goods, every household everything novel and rare in the different lines, among which may be mentioned Ladies' and Gentlemen's Gold and Silver Watches of American and foreign movements, a very large assortment of Gold Chains, plain and ornamental Gold Sets and Precious Stones, elegant Gold-headed Canes, Plain and elaborate Coin and Plated Silverware, &c., &c. Purchasers of holiday presents should not fail to examine the stock.

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Home made, solid gold jewelry is the specialty which commends to the attention and patronage of our people the old and thoroughly reliable house of Mr. C. Terheyden, No. 130 Smithfield street. All kinds of jewelry are manufactured out of the virgin metal, and the most skillful jewellers of the country are employed. This is the only house that manufactures its own goods, so great advantages to purchasers are afforded. Call in and see the stock, and inquire the prices before elsewhere making your holiday purchases.

"For the apparel oft' proclaims the man."

For a very rich, neat and perfect-fitting suit, we know no better place than M. T. Hecker's, No. 61 Diamond, Allegheny city, as he has on hand the handsomest cassimeres and vestings suited to the taste and purse, and he well understands how to please the fancy of the most fastidious in their make-up.

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Closing sale of Fur Robes at R. H. Palmer's, 84 Wood street. S T H S.

BREVITIES.

ONE week more in '71.

DULLNESS in police news.

NOW Christmas is at hand.

LARGE lobby attendance at Councils yesterday.

NO CITY PAPER will be issued on Tuesday morning.

MAYOR CALLOW sent six cases to the work house yesterday.

THE Allegheny schools to-day begin a holiday vacation of two weeks.

THE new members of Councils impatiently await their turn in public legislation.

THE managers and patrons of St. Paul's Orphan Asylum have arranged for a Christmas gala day for the little ones.

THE Pittsburgh post office will be opened on Monday (Christmas) from 8 to 9 A. M. Letter carriers will make one delivery.

THE Cathedral crosses will be illuminated Christmas morning. The early mass will take place at the usual hour—five o'clock in the morning. The music will be especially attractive.

YESTERDAY a lady at the auction store on Fifth avenue, lost her pocket book containing $40 in bills, but whether she had dropped it or had her pocket picked, she could not be positive.

THIRTY-ONE commissions for officers of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, in various parts of the State, were shipped to their destination by the Adjutant General's Department yesterday.

CORONER WEST yesterday concluded the inquest on the remains of Robert Hunter, an account of whose death by falling through a trestle work in South Pittsburgh we published yesterday. The jury rendered a verdict of accidental death.

YESTERDAY morning Mayor Callow's officers arrested two boys charged with stealing six revolvers from Craig's gun store, on Federal street. Two of the revolvers were recovered. Several other boys are implicated, and will probably be arrested.

REMEMBER the poor on Christmas day. Out of the generosity of your hearts give to the needy, visit the sick and forlorn, comfort the comfortless, make the orphan and the widow rejoice, and then you can enjoy your own holiday all the better, for it will be all the sweeter.

THE House of Representatives has been furnished with handsome new cornices of French walnut, and gilt over the windows, the Speaker's stand and clock. The curtains will be of scarlet brocatelle, with yellow trimmings. When finished they will present a handsome appearance.

YESTERDAY the will of the late E. W. Cook, was filed with Register Gray. His property, which is located on the New Brighton Turnpike, is divided equally between Mr. E. D. Riddle, and Mrs. Letitia Stubbs, of Allegheny, save a portion which he sets out for sale to realize sufficient to pay all his indebtedness and funeral expenses.

YESTERDAY morning Coroner West held an inquest on the body of an unknown man, who died in the watch-house last night, and on whom was found a letter, from which it was supposed that the deceased's name was Wm. Pierce. The jury rendered a verdict of death from congestion of the brain, superinduced by exposure and neglect. The body is lying at Lafferty's undertaking rooms, on Fourth avenue, and has not yet been identified. It will be buried to-day at the expense of the county, unless claimed in the meantime.

A MEETING was held last evening in the school house on Avery street, Fourth ward, Allegheny, for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting to request the election board to recount the votes polled at the election held forward at the recent election. Thirteen citizens of the ward were present. Mr. Reel presented the report, which has already been published in the papers. It was to the effect that the board could see no reason for a recount, and the request was therefore refused. On motion, Mr. C. R. Welterhausen was appointed a committee to prosecute the matter in court, after which the meeting adjourned.

BIRMINGHAM.

Health—Newspapers—Churches.

The health of the town is gradually improving, as the small-pox is rapidly disappearing.

Our newspapers are growing very rapidly. Last week the *Ledger* came out very much enlarged, and the *Courier* has caught the enlarging fever and "follows copy," by imitating the *Ledger* in enlarging. Success to the "types."

The churches are very active at present. All the Roman Catholic churches will observe the holidays in their usual strict and zealous manner.

The Protestant churches are making preparations to treat their Sabbath school children to a Christmas feast of things. Grace M. E. and First Methodist Church on Eighteenth street, will be dedicated to-morrow, the 24th inst. Rev. John Cowl, D. D., will preach at 10½ o'clock A. M., and Revs. D. Collier, Professor McKeever and J. D. Herr will speak at three o'clock P. M., and Dr. Marshall will preach at seven o'clock in the evening.

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Card.

W. W. Moorhead, 81 Market street, would respectfully call the attention of the ladies to the fact that the Great Closing Out Sale still continues at 81 Market street, and great bargains may be had in Holiday Goods. You can save money by calling before the first of January, as I desire to change my business relations, and will give special bargains in all my goods.

Elegant Embroideries,
Ladies Underwear,
Initial Handkerchiefs for Ladies and Gents,
White Goods, Fancy Goods, Notions,
Ladies' Cashmere Gloves,
Infant's Zephyr Socks,
Infant's Zephyr Hoods,
Balmoral Hose,
Slipper Patterns, Ottoman Patterns,
Ladies' Night Dresses, Chemises, Drawers,
White Skirts,
Fancy Roman Scarfs, Sashes,
Gents White Shirts, Colored Shirts,
Gents Underwear of all kinds,
Bows, Socks, Suspenders, Collars,

&c., &c.

W. W. Moorhead's, 81 Market street.
No connection with any other store on Market street.
Open every Saturday night. tf. s.

Five Dollars Cash

And $5.00 a month for five months without interest will secure you a lot at Arlington, about thirteen miles from the city. Inquire of C. H. Love, 58 Fourth avenue.

In a New Place.

In traversing the town on the scent of Christmas presents, we doubt not that many of our readers have sought for Mr. Wm. E. Stieren, on Sixth street, and found him gone. The truth is he has selected more commodious and more central quarters at No. 175 Smithfield street. Mr. Stieren has the reputation of being a perfect master of his business, and anything that he does not know about watches, Telescopes, Microscopes, Camera or Instruments, is not worth knowing. And besides it is perfectly safe to rely on that he says, so, when you buy glasses of any sort from him if he says they are what you want, why, they are. In fact, you can't get better or more reliable place in town at which to purchase Stereoscopes and Views, Thermometers, Barometers any of the various scopes and—oopes, any of which would make so desirable a gift for any one at all interested in that sort of thing.

Something New.

Cheap homes at Arlington—1,000 shares—$50.00; $5.00 cash, and $5.00 a month for five months. Inquire of C. H. Love, 58 Fourth avenue.

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$2,000

Worth of scenery and effects in "Through Fire," at the Pittsburgh Opera House next week.

Christmas.

Christmas comes but once a year, and no doubt many wish that the long established practice of giving presents was numbered among the past. And why? Simply for the reason that so many buy some foolish toy or squander their money in so many foolish ways, that sensible men and women are yearly becoming more and more disgusted with the day. To give a present, making it a useful present, should be the delight of all. How many good wives, mothers and daughters could be made to feel as though they were living in another world were they made the recipient of a handsome *American Overseeming Buttonhole Sewing Machine*. Not only happy to-day, or Monday, but for years. Go then, to Page's Sole Receiver of Fifth avenue and Market street, and buy one of these superb machines, and our word for it, all will be well pleased, and a merry Christmas will be the result.

Those of our readers who have not yet enjoyed the delightful entertainments given at the Jewelry store of Mr. W. G. Dunseath, No. 56 Fifth avenue, should lose no time in visiting the establishment. The wonderful mechanical bird, whose melodious notes have charmed so many, is equalled by the harmonious sounds which proceed from the large musical boxes, of which Mr. D. has a large assortment. Those who delight in excellent music, and who take pleasure in examining rare and beautiful Jewelry, Silver Plated Ware, etc, should give Dunseath's establishment a call.

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Special Notice.

For the accomodation for those who cannot spare the time during the day, to buy a Christmas gift, that shall be useful as well as ornamental, we will keep open our dry goods store this, and to-morrow evening till 10 o'clock. Parties are invited to call.

MOORHOUSE & CARSTEN.
No. 21 Fifth Avenue.

Fine jewelry of all descriptions, ladies' and gents' gold and silver watches, parlor clocks and stationery at very reasonable prices at Schanke & Will's jewelry house, corner of Sixth avenue and Smithfield street. Favor them with a purchasing visit, and we are sure you will be satisfied.

Arlington

Is only about thirteen miles from the city on line of Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. Louis Railway, and is beautifully located, and will certainly be a pleasant location for those seeking a place to settle where they can be comfortably situated. Shares are being rapidly taken. Inquire of C. H. LOVE,
Real Estate Broker,
58 Fourth avenue.

Selected Stock Holiday Goods at R. H. Palmer's, 84 Wood street. S T H S.

Through Fire,

by the author of "The Baby of Tuscaloo," at the Pittsburgh Opera House next week.

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$100,000 to loan on bond and mortgage, at reasonable rates.
THOS. F. STEWART, 48 Fifth avenue,
6t. Dealer in Real Estate, &c.

Hot Air Furnaces at 193 Liberty street. 6

Read the card of John M. Buck on first page, who sells the best and cheapest oysters west of Baltimore. 2w

A fine copy "Schoolcroft's North American Indians" for sale cheap. See Maclean's advertisement in Wanted column, 6t.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Personal and Otherwise.

THE Sixth avenue Mission Sabbath-school (Thomas H. Rabe, Superintendent) will make its usual display on Christmas morning.

THE First Methodist church, Birmingham, has been supplied with a new organ, and all the churches are being dressed for Christmas.

REV. T. H. HANNA, pastor of the Eighth avenue United Presbyterian Church, is to preach in the First Methodist Church, Fifth avenue, on Sabbath evening.

RIGHT REV. BISHOP KERFOOT will preach and administer the right of baptism in St. Mark's Episcopal church, Birmingham, on Christmas day, at 10½ o'clock A. M.

THE Eleventh ward Mission Sabbath-school is to have an interesting celebration on New Year's afternoon. William Floyd, Esq., is to preside, and the programme embraces some excellent vocal music.

REV. JOHN H. EGAR, of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, will preach his farewell sermon to-morrow morning, at half-past ten o'clock, previous to his departure for his new field of labor in Nashota College.

AT half-past ten on Christmas morning, at the service at St. Andrew's Church on Ninth street, the music will be "more than usually delightful," but whether she had dropped it or had her pocket picked, she could not be positive.

THIRTY-ONE commissions for officers of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, in various parts of the State, were shipped to their destination by the Adjutant General's Department yesterday.

CORONER WEST yesterday concluded the inquest on the remains of Robert Hunter, an account of whose death by falling through a trestle work in South Pittsburgh we published yesterday. The jury rendered a verdict of accidental death.

YESTERDAY morning Mayor Callow's officers arrested two boys charged with stealing six revolvers from Craig's gun store, on Federal street. Two of the revolvers were recovered. Several other boys are implicated, and will probably be arrested.

REMEMBER the poor on Christmas day. Out of the generosity of your hearts give to the needy, visit the sick and forlorn, comfort the comfortless, make the orphan and the widow rejoice, and then you can enjoy your own holiday all the better, for it will be all the sweeter.

THE House of Representatives has been furnished with handsome new cornices of French walnut, and gilt over the windows, the Speaker's stand and clock. The curtains will be of scarlet brocatelle, with yellow trimmings. When finished they will present a handsome appearance.

YESTERDAY the will of the late E. W. Cook, was filed with Register Gray. His property, which is located on the New Brighton Turnpike, is divided equally between Mr. E. D. Riddle, and Mrs. Letitia Stubbs, of Allegheny, save a portion which he sets out for sale to realize sufficient to pay all his indebtedness and funeral expenses.

YESTERDAY morning Coroner West held an inquest on the body of an unknown man, who died in the watch-house last night, and on whom was found a letter, from which it was supposed that the deceased's name was Wm. Pierce. The jury rendered a verdict of death from congestion of the brain, superinduced by exposure and neglect. The body is lying at Lafferty's undertaking rooms, on Fourth avenue, and has not yet been identified. It will be buried to-day at the expense of the county, unless claimed in the meantime.

A MEETING was held last evening in the school house on Avery street, Fourth ward, Allegheny, for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting to request the election board to recount the votes polled at the election held forward at the recent election. Thirteen citizens of the ward were present. Mr. Reel presented the report, which has already been published in the papers. It was to the effect that the board could see no reason for a recount, and the request was therefore refused. On motion, Mr. C. R. Welterhausen was appointed a committee to prosecute the matter in court, after which the meeting adjourned.

THE PROSPECTS.

Severe Winter Probable—How Ladies should Protect Themselves Against the Cold—Where to Buy from 15 to 20 Per Cent. Cheaper Than any Other House.

From present indications we will have very cold weather during the remaining winter months, and as the sudden changes of temperature to which this locality is liable are very detrimental to health, particularly of ladies, on account of their style of dress, a suggestion as to how they should protect themselves against the chilly blasts of the cold and severe and sudden changes from warm to cold weather would not be out of place. It is essentially necessary that the ladies look to the comfort of a lady, that the shoulders and hands should be kept warm and the feet dry, and in order to do this, they should provide themselves with good shoes, and wear over shoes when the weather is damp and muddy, to protect the feet from cold and dampness, and for reasonable rates. These and other reasons too numerous to note in detail, we would refer our readers to this establishment when anything in the musical line is in demand.

The Weather Prophet.
See this week's *Real Estate Register*.

S. Hamilton & Co. Want Everybody to Come and See Them That are About to Purchase a Piano or Organ.

Because they have just opened an immense stock of Pianos and Organs, especially for the holidays, which they must sell, and will sell cheaper than can be bought anywhere in the city. No matter what inducements are offered elsewhere, S. Hamilton & Co. will do better. We do not pretend to be offering extra bargains to purchasers, because we have none, but we do it simply because we have an immense stock, too great for us to think of carrying through the winter, and also to establish more fully than ever our reputation as the cheapest Piano and Organ house in the country. We would ask you to come at once. Whether you have much or little money, come and pay what you can down, and you can pay the balance in easy monthly or quarterly payments; come now while our stock is full, fresh and complete. You will now have a better choice. If you cannot get up town through the day come in the evening, as we keep open till nine o'clock every night for those who cannot get here through the day, and to say who live away from the city we would say you need have no hesitation about ordering by letter, as we guarantee satisfaction or no pay. Write and let us know how much you wish to give for an instrument, or how much per month, and you can depend on being suited. You will remember the place is

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51 Fifth avenue, Pittsburgh, second floor.

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Lovers of the "weed" should use Dilworth's "Heart's Ease."

Where to get your Christmas oysters is at John M. Buck's, 44 Diamond market. Parties going to make presents of oysters can save 50 per cent. Wholesale dealers can get a liberal discount by buying their stock from Mr. Buck. Send in your orders. 4t.

A fine copy "Schoolcroft's North American Indians" for sale cheap. See Maclean's advertisement in Wanted column, 6t.

Buy your Holiday Furs at R. H. Palmer's, 84 Wood street. S T H S.

Have you seen those new style holiday hats which have been received by Mr. Henry Pratt, No. 101 Federal street, Allegheny? Don't purchase a dress hat for yourself, or as a present to a friend, until you see what Pratt has in store. They are the most finely finished and most beautifully proportioned of any "high hats" that have been in this market for many years.

Special Notice.

For the convenience and accommodation of the many persons who cannot spare the time to get to town through the day to select a piano or organ, we will keep our salesrooms open to 9 P. M. every evening until after the Holidays, and will take pleasure in showing our large stock to those who favor us with a call.

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Holiday Week! Holiday Week! Holiday Week! Holiday Week! Holiday Week, at Messrs. Urling, Follansbee & Co.'s youths' and gents' fashionable clothing house, Fifth avenue, opposite Post Office. Call and survey your measure and deck yourself with one of the finest ready-made suits to be had in the city.

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